

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

Smoke Nuisance  
Legislation

NONE will dispute the acceptability of the principles guiding Government's decision to introduce a bill designed to eradicate smoke nuisances which constitute a hazard to aircraft entering and leaving Kai Tak. Many, in fact, may feel that legislation of this nature is overdue.

It is, nonetheless, unfortunate that such an enactment is necessary. Apart from all other considerations, the idea of giving a Government departmental executive such wide powers as those contained in the smoke abatement bill, is distasteful. And it cannot be said that the safeguarding clauses offer factory owners a great deal of solace.

Although the language of the bill is general enough, it is recognised that the smoke or vapour already considered to constitute a man-controlled hazard for aircraft is that which drifts across Kowloon from Hung Hom. It is this which Government now demands shall be eliminated.

WHERE this latest piece of legislation doesn't help is in suggesting how that should be accomplished. The Hon Colonial Secretary emphasised yesterday that it was the sole responsibility of factory owners to bring about an immediate cessation of smoke or vapour nuisance once the Director of Civil Aviation, or his deputy, had drawn official attention to the nuisance. And apparently the only effective way this could be done would be by closing down the factory's operations — at least temporarily.

That may be the obvious and simple solution, but it automatically creates complications which cannot be overlooked. For a large factory to close down at a given signal means that, even with favourable weather conditions following shortly after and a consequent reduction of the vapour nuisance to a point where it is not dangerous to aircraft, the plant cannot be put immediately into re-operation. There is also the question of employment — or rather unemployment — which would of necessity arise if a factory has to suspend its activities for any length of time. And enforced unemployment at this time is not happy to contemplate.

THE legislation introduced yesterday cannot have taken any factory owner by surprise. Very plain official warnings have been given over the last two years. Some credit can be given for efforts made to abate the nuisance through scientific appliances, although it is disappointing to learn, if reports are true, that it has been necessary to abandon the proposal to install slurry filters after it had been publicly announced that it was expected these would solve the problem of the vapour trail.

Government has now put the position squarely before all factory owners whose smoke stacks imperil aircraft, and quite as clearly Government intends to enforce its legislation once the bill has become law.

This means positive action has got to be taken by factories to do away with smoke and vapour nuisances. Decisions in some cases may be hard to take and costly to fulfil, but the safety of some, and the livelihood and welfare of many others are involved, and it is these considerations which must determine the line of action to be taken.

# End Of Tachens Evacuation In Sight OPERATION PROCEEDING VERY SMOOTHLY

With US 7th Fleet, Feb. 9.

Giant floodlights lit up Tachen for the second night running as tired Americans and Nationalist Chinese rushed the evacuation of the dynamite wrecked island.

The shooting down of an American carrier-based attack bomber southwest of Tachen had added new tension to the explosive situation here. American officers were still predicting no Communist intervention, but they were taking no chances. Admiral Alfred M. Pride had ordered the anti-aircraft batteries aboard his flagship, the cruiser Helena, manned on a 24-hour basis. The Helena's guns were the amphibious fleet's primary protection against possible Communist air attack.

The Tachen evacuation was approaching its final hours on Wednesday night.

## US Senate Approves Formosa Treaty

Washington, Feb. 9.

The Senate tonight stamped final approval on a treaty moving the US Western defence frontier to the Chinese Nationalist island of Formosa, within 100 miles of the Red China coast.

The treaty with Chiang Kai-shek's regime was approved by an overwhelming bipartisan roll-call vote of 64-6, far more than the required two-thirds majority. It now goes to President Eisenhower for final ratification.

The six dissenting votes were cast by Senators Dennis Chavez, Albert Gore, Estes Kefauver, Herbert Lehman, William Langer and Wayne Morse.

Final action came after the Senate defeated efforts to tack on formal restrictions limiting the territory covered and making clear the pact would not affect the future status of Formosa and the nearby Pescadore Islands.

Two efforts to modify the treaty—both made by Senator Wayne Morse with the help of a small bloc of "liberal" Democrats—were overwhelmingly voted down.

Senator Morse first sought to modify the treaty to make it clear that it would in no way affect the future legal status of Formosa and the Pescadores, left in doubt by postwar treaties.

The treaty with Nationalist China does not discuss the legal status of the islands, but Senator Morse and others feared it would give "the colour of sovereignty" any permanence to Chiang's control.

"I am not in favour of tying our future to the future of Chiang Kai-shek," declared Senator Kefauver. "His motives and aims are divergent from ours."

The proposed reservation was defeated 67-11.

**SECOND AMENDMENT**  
Senator Morse then offered an amendment specifically to exclude the offshore Nationalist-held islands of Quemoy and the Matsus from the scope of the treaty. This was defeated 60-10.

Senator Morse also lost a follow-up attempt to tack the two modifications on to the Senate resolution providing for ratification of the treaty.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has declared in its formal report on the treaty, however, that it is the Senate's understanding that the treaty does not permit expansion of the defended area beyond Formosa and the Pescadores without a two-thirds Senate vote of approval.

The Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, likewise has assured the Senate that any agreement with Nationalist China to expand the area of coverage, permitted by the treaty, would be sent to the Senate for approval.—United Press.

**Airman's Ordeal**

New York, Feb. 9.  
An Air Force sergeant hung his head downwards for 12 minutes in freezing cold from the wing of an American transport plane to repair a damaged landing gear while the plane circled above Dayton, Ohio, unable to land. Two of the crew held his feet. China Mail Special.

## BIG TRADE UNION MERGER IN AMERICA

New York, Feb. 9.

Leaders of America's two trades union groups agreed today to merge their organizations in a single Labour Congress embracing 15 million members.

Two ten-man committees representing the American Federation of Labour—the bigger group—and the Congress of Industrial Organizations signed the merger pact in the lounge of a Miami Beach hotel.

Afterwards, Mr. George Meany, President of the 8,000,000 strong AFL, and Mr. Walter Reuther, head of the CIO, which has 6,000,000 members, forecast that ratification of the agreement would be completed by the end of the year.

**APPROVAL CERTAIN**

The executive of the AFL will consider the agreement here tomorrow. But its approval is regarded as certain because many top leaders of the federation took part in the negotiations with the CIO, whose executive will consider the pact at a special Washington meeting on February 22.

Separate conventions of the two organizations must ratify the agreement before final ratification by a joint convention. The merger will return to the AFL's fold a group of unions which splintered from it under the leadership of the mine workers' head, John L. Lewis, in 1935 to form the CIO. Their aim was to organize hundreds of thousands of workers in the mass production industries.

The CIO union of automobiles, aircraft and agricultural implement workers is now the nation's biggest, with 1,400,000 members. The AFL's teamsters (transport workers) union is the second biggest. It has 1,300,000 in membership.—Reuter.

**RETURNS HOME**

Ottawa, Feb. 9.  
The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Louis St. Laurent, returned home by air today from the London Conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers. He travelled in a government plane with the External Affairs Minister, Mr. Lester Pearson.—Reuter.

A long line of Nationalist soldiers were lugging the last crates of ammunition to the muddy beaches while trucks hauled the heavier guns and equipment.

The loading of the civilians had gone ahead of schedule. American officers running the evacuation beaches were hopeful that if they could keep up the pace they might be able to leave the island this weekend—possibly as early as Friday night or Saturday morning.

Admiral Pride said he was unable to predict when the evacuation would be completed. Rear-Admiral Alonso Sabla, Chief of the amphibious forces, said the operation was proceeding "normally" however. He was pleased with the work accomplished so far.

Yisha and Yushan, two guerrilla islands south and north of Tachen, respectively, had already been abandoned.

Most of the equipment on Tachen had been moved to beaches and was being taken off rapidly.

**DEMOLITION WORK**  
In the hills above the busy harbour Nationalist demolition crews were blasting fortifications and installations, and putting the torch to others.

A thorough scorched-earth policy was being carried out on the island. Garrison Commander Gen. Liu Lien-chi had said nothing of military value and "dead men only" would be left behind for the Communists to "utilize".

The most complete figure for the number of civilians evacuated from Tachen was put at 13,942 on Wednesday night by the American side, but this was admitted to be approximate. Gen. Liu said he was holding 50 to 60 "stragglers" on Tachen and other civilians were reported to be still on the island.

One destroyer attack transport, the USS Baldock, rammed the carrier Midway, and another collided with a transport during transfer operations. There was no loss of life in either instance.—United Press.

**TO STAY ON**

With 7th Fleet, Feb. 10.  
A 10-year food supply had been left behind with three Chinese who refused evacuation from the Communist-threatened Tachen island, a Navy spokesman said today.

A Navy briefing officer said one person on Upper Tachen and an 80-year-old couple on Lower Tachen have decided to remain in their ancestral homes to finish out their lives.

"The elderly ones have lived there all their lives," he said, "and don't want to leave."

"A 10-year supply of food has been left for all three."

The spokesman's statement that three persons will remain behind conflicted with that made by Gen. Liu Lien-chi, commander of Nationalist forces on Tachen, that only "dead men" will be left when the islands are evacuated.—United Press.

**BOY'S TRAGIC DEATH**

Paris, Feb. 9.  
A 15-year-old boy rigged up a "suicide machine" in Lyons and then fired it, killing himself. Unwillingly fired the fatal shot by remote control, the police reported.

He propped up a shotgun and ran a string from the trigger to the doorknob of his bedroom and then lay down on his bed with the gun aimed at his heart. He was depressed after the death of his father in a car accident.—China Mail Special.

## Man Buried Twice



Workmates of a man known as "Mick, the New Australian" bring him to the surface in a semi-conscious state after an avalanche of coal had buried him at a coal dump at Pyrmont, Sydney. Shortly after this dramatic picture was taken another coal slide reburied the man and a frantic second rescue began, and the unfortunate victim was once again released.—London Express.

## New Hope For TB Sufferers

Washington, Feb. 9.

A new antibiotic drug, called Cycloserine, had removed all traces of tuberculosis bacilli in a number of test patients, three doctors reported today at a government conference on tuberculosis.

The physicians, Dr. Israel Epstein, Dr. K. G. K. Nair and Dr. Lim Boys, while expressing caution against the drug's potential until exhaustively tested, said it had brought "impressive" improvement in the condition of 37 patients suffering from severe pulmonary tuberculosis upon whom it was tested.

They reported their findings today to the Army-Navy Veterans Administration Conference on tuberculosis.

The Veterans Administration, a government agency, charged with caring for ex-servicemen, announced that it soon would begin a control test of the drug on 200 patients to determine the drug's value.

Of the 37 patients tested, the doctors said 11 cases resulted in tests showing the tuberculosis bacilli had become culturally negative. Thirty-six of the 37 patients looked and felt better. X-rays showed improvement of the infected lung areas. In 23 cases, 30 patients gained between four and 14 lbs during a 10-week period, and fever was reduced in all patients.—Reuter.

**Needle In Body For 38 Years**

Copenhagen, Feb. 9.  
Mrs. Anna Andersen of Vester Nabol, "Jylland," went to the doctor after feeling a pain in her left hand. Her removed a needle point which had wandered all around her body for 38 years. It was originally in her right hand.—China Mail Special.

## China Reorganising Her Army COMPULSORY SERVICE

London, Feb. 9.

Communist China recently switched from a policy of voluntary military service for young men to compulsory military service, the New China News Agency said today.

The Communist broadcast, monitored in London, said regulations for the selection and training of officers "are made in line with the change in the country's military service from a voluntary to a compulsory basis."

The News Agency said the officer requirements and training also were being changed "in order to further the building up of the Chinese People's Liberation Army as a modern regular army."

Details of the requirements for 14 different military ranks, ranging up through "Marshal of the People's Republic of China" were included in the broadcast along with plans for solving "organisational problems."

The broadcast said the rank of "Supreme Marshal" would be "given to the Supreme Commander who has attained particularly outstanding merit in organising the People's Armed Forces and in commanding them."

An earlier New China News Agency broadcast quoted a statement by Hsu Pi-ching, identified as Deputy Chief of the Army General Personnel Department, said the Chinese Communist Army was "increasing its rate of advance" to safeguard the national security and peace in the Far East and throughout the world.

"In the course of this process, the voluntary service system is being changed to a compulsory system," the Hsu statement said. "The change requires a set of regulations governing the service of officers. These will be drafted on the basis of the principles of compulsory service and the present situation."—United Press.

## SPENT NIGHT IN STREETS

Rome, Feb. 9.

Townpeople camped in the streets of Monte Santangelo, in spite of winds and howling rain tonight, in the wake of a violent earthquake that destroyed 300 houses this morning.

Shuddering men huddled under blankets in the streets as women and children, safe in a deep grotto some miles from town, prayed for safety.

Only seven persons were seriously injured in the ten-second shock. Eleven houses collapsed and 300 were damaged, 100 of them so seriously that they had to be evacuated.

Practically the whole population of 20,000 refused to sleep indoors, but only women and children were admitted to the grotto in the heart of the Shrine of St. Michael near the town.—United Press.

## Man Loses \$500,000 Inheritance

Boston, Feb. 9.

A man has been denied a \$500,000 inheritance because he married a woman born outside the Jewish faith.

The Massachusetts Supreme Court yesterday upheld the validity of the will of the late Joseph Gordon which barred his son Harold Gordon from sharing in the estate when he married a Catholic girl.

The High Court also ordered that Mr. Gordon be "deposed as a trustee of the estate. The Court said the elder Mr. Gordon, who died in 1943, required only that his property should not be received by a son or daughter, who should marry one born to parents not of the Jewish faith at the time of the child's birth."

"There is no condition based on the religious belief of anyone at the time of marriage," said the Court.—United Press.

## NO KNOWLEDGE OF RUMOUR

Washington, Feb. 9.

President Dwight Eisenhower said today during his weekly press conference that he had no knowledge of rumours that Army Secretary Robert T. Stevens might resign.

Rumours about the possible resignation of Mr. Stevens have been circulating since Feb. 1954, when his differences with Senator Joseph McCarthy (Republican of Wisconsin) over the case of Maj. Irving Peres, an Army dentist and alleged Communist, came to light.—France Press.

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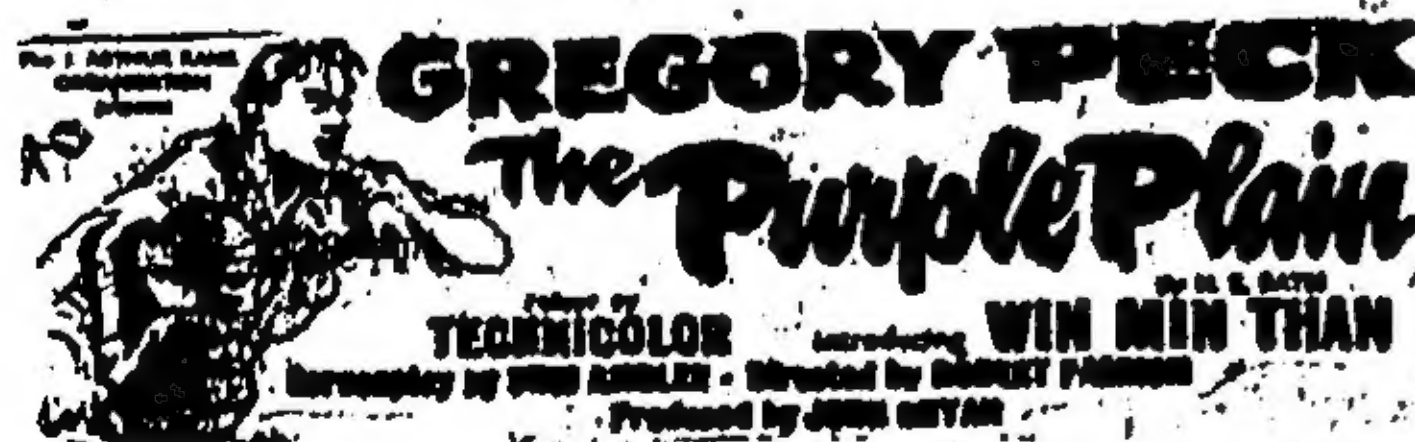


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# Russia Recently Stepped Up Her Output

## NEW UNITED STATES TESTS STARTING

Washington, Feb. 9.

Russia has recently stepped up its capacity to build and launch nuclear weapons, the Defence Secretary, Mr Charles Wilson, said today, in a communique he handed to the Press after he testified secretly before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Admiral Arthur Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs-of-Staff, also testified before the committee.

Both American leaders backed President Dwight Eisenhower's much-discussed proposal to reduce U.S. armed forces personnel from the present 3,168,000 men to about 3,000,000 men by next June 30.

Mr Wilson said the United States has moved up to the Formosa Straits situation in "a realistic way," and added that the South Korean, Japanese and Nationalist armed forces have improved.

## STRIKING POWER

The Defence Secretary said the "atomic possibilities" of the U.S. Tactical Force are being stepped up along with the striking power of the strategic and carrier-borne air forces.

Mr Wilson said atomic artillery and guided missiles have also progressed to the point where special units have been set up in Europe and are ready to go into action whenever they are needed.

## ATOMIC TESTS

The United States Government announced today that newsmen and hundreds of civil defence workers would be invited to witness a test in mid-April of atomic violence against a residential community.

The Atomic Energy Commission and the Civil Defence Administration announced jointly that the so-called "open shot" has been tentatively set for mid-April at the AEC's atomic proving ground in Nevada. It will be one of several explosions in a test series scheduled to start around February 17.

A civil defence field exercise will be held in connection with the open shot. It will be the first of its kind, with some 350 civil defence volunteers and workers, and aircraft of the civil air patrols Nevada wing participating.

The atomic target will include "several residences," some provided by private industry, new kinds of shelters, and utility installations such as electric equipment, and liquid, natural, and manufactured gas installations. — France-Press and United Press.

## FRENCH PRODUCTION

Paris, Feb. 9. France, the only country in West Europe producing uranium, has surpassed expectations with a five-year plan begun in 1952 for atomic research and development, it was revealed by the French Atomic Energy Commission yesterday.

The Commission is already an immense industrial and research organization. It owns and operates several uranium mines and mills, a plant in which pure uranium is produced in large quantities, and a general research centre for nuclear physics.

Few Parisians straggling along their history-steeped pavements are conscious of the fact that one of France's two atomic piles is only 12 miles from the city. Two other atomic piles are being built at Marcoule near Orange.

Uranium is being mined in four main areas of France. Thorium in large amounts is being mined in Madagascar and shipped to France for refining in a factory near Paris.

The French are already using atomic energy for advanced practical and industrial purposes. A new industrial centre for the production of plutonium

# Russia's Eisenhower Appointed Defence Minister

London, Feb. 9.

Marshal Georgi Zhukov, 58, named today as Russian Defence Minister to succeed Nikolai Bulganin, is noteworthy for the warm personal contacts he has had in the past with both President Eisenhower and Field-Marshal Lord Montgomery.

President Eisenhower, who met and liked the husky Russian shortly after the German surrender, was said to have remarked once:

"This is a man with whom I could do business." The barrel-chested Soviet commander has been called the "Eisenhower of Russia"—as much for his ready grin as for his undoubted military genius. Cheerful and sociable, he established close relationships with his opposite numbers on

both sides without recognising a "great soldier." After the Moscow visit, however, the relationship abruptly lapsed. Zhukov called off at the last minute a scheduled visit to the United States in October, 1945.

In December, 1952, when the Russian general seemed temporarily out of favour, President Eisenhower said regretfully that he thought Zhukov "came into disgrace" because of the friendship that had developed between the two men.

## MADE NAME

Cheerful, extroverted Zhukov made his name as one of Russia's most hard bitten commanders during World War II.

His brilliant strategy halted the high tide of German invasion at Moscow, and then led to the Russian counter offensive which swept on through Poland and finally surged into Berlin.

He ended the war as the Soviet Union's most popular war hero and Commander-in-Chief of the Russian ground forces.

But in July, 1946, Zhukov was relieved of his post as Commander-in-Chief and appointed Commander of the military garrison at Odessa.

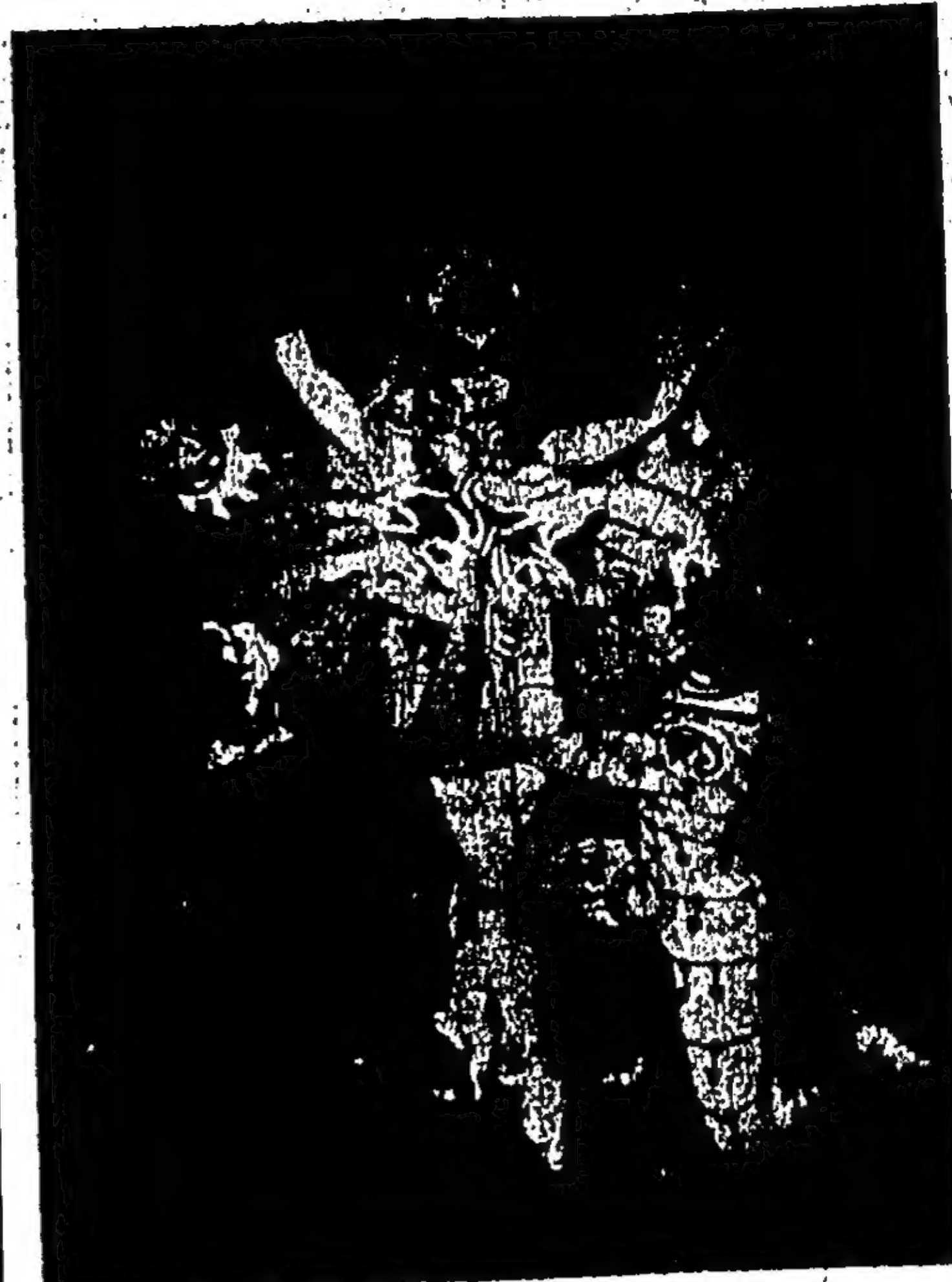
It was this sharp demotion that gave rise to reports he was in disgrace and brought Eisenhower's comment.

But after Stalin's death, Zhukov suddenly returned to the Soviet limelight.

## BROUGHT BACK

Malenkov brought him back to Moscow as First Deputy Defence Minister, and Zhukov was thought to be one of the Soviet Army leaders on whom Malenkov relied for support in a struggle for power with secret police chief Lavrenti Beria.

Last May, Zhukov surprised Western observers by saying in a newspaper article that "honour" should be given to Eisenhower, Montgomery and their armies for "helping to win" the war against Germany. — Reuter.



The Sadler's Wells Theatre Ballet have just presented the world premiere of the ballet 'Dances and Concertos'. This picture, taken during the dress rehearsal, shows some of the fantastic costumes worn. The principal dancer, Maryon Lane, is shown in the centre of the group. — Central Press Photo.

# BARBADOS WELCOMES PRINCESS

Bridgetown, Feb. 9.

A waterfront crowd awaiting the arrival of Princess Margaret here in "Little England" today were moved along by police, some with batons drawn, as they pressed forward in an excess of enthusiasm.

As the crowd crushed against a low wall some women had their clothing torn; one woman lost her skirt.

Order was quickly restored and as the Princess arrived she was greeted with a tumultuous welcome to match the warmth of the brilliant sun.

Princess Margaret, wearing a lilac and white patterned dress with a small rose-pink hat, stepped ashore in Trafalgar Square and only Lord Nelson had his back turned to her.

## SECOND STATUE

Barbados is proud of the fact that its statue of Nelson was only the second—the first being in Canada—to be erected to the memory of the illustrious admiral. He stands looking inescapably out over the harbour to the open sea.

Trafalgar Square's gaiety rivalled that of its London namesake on New Year's Eve—thousands of people were frantically waving flags; bunting and gaily-coloured streamers were everywhere.

One ducky maiden appeared in a red and blue bathing suit with a red bandana, brandishing a Union Jack.

One man, hopping up and down on the fringe of the crowd, hopped off the end of the quay and into the water ten feet below. He was quickly fished out to rejoin the celebration. — Reuter.

# Trunk Line Links Hanoi To Namquan

Peking, Feb. 9.

The railway trunk line which links Hanoi in North Vietnam to Namquan on the China-North Vietnam border has been rebuilt by the Chinese and North Vietnamese engineers, a North Vietnam Embassy spokesman said here today.

He said the new line which was inaugurated yesterday, by North Vietnam officials, replaces the line which was destroyed by the Vietnamese for strategic reasons during the Indo-China war.

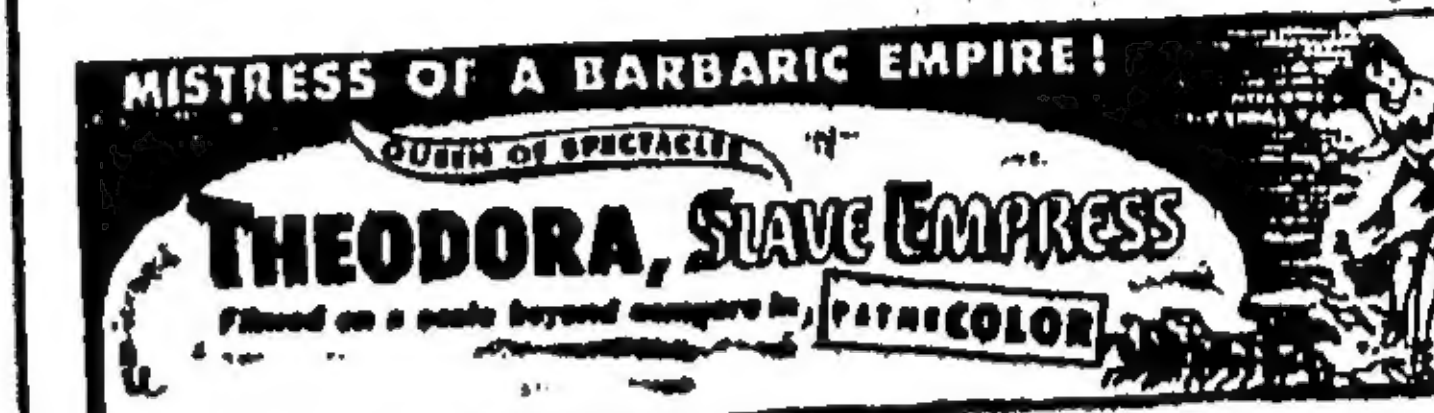
The spokesman said that Chinese technicians and Viet-Nam engineers had more than 100 miles of track and built 28 bridges to complete the line. He said that the engineers are now completing a line between Namquan and Paocheng, which is located eight miles inside the Chinese border and serves as a starting point for the Hanoi and Peking railway. — Reuter.

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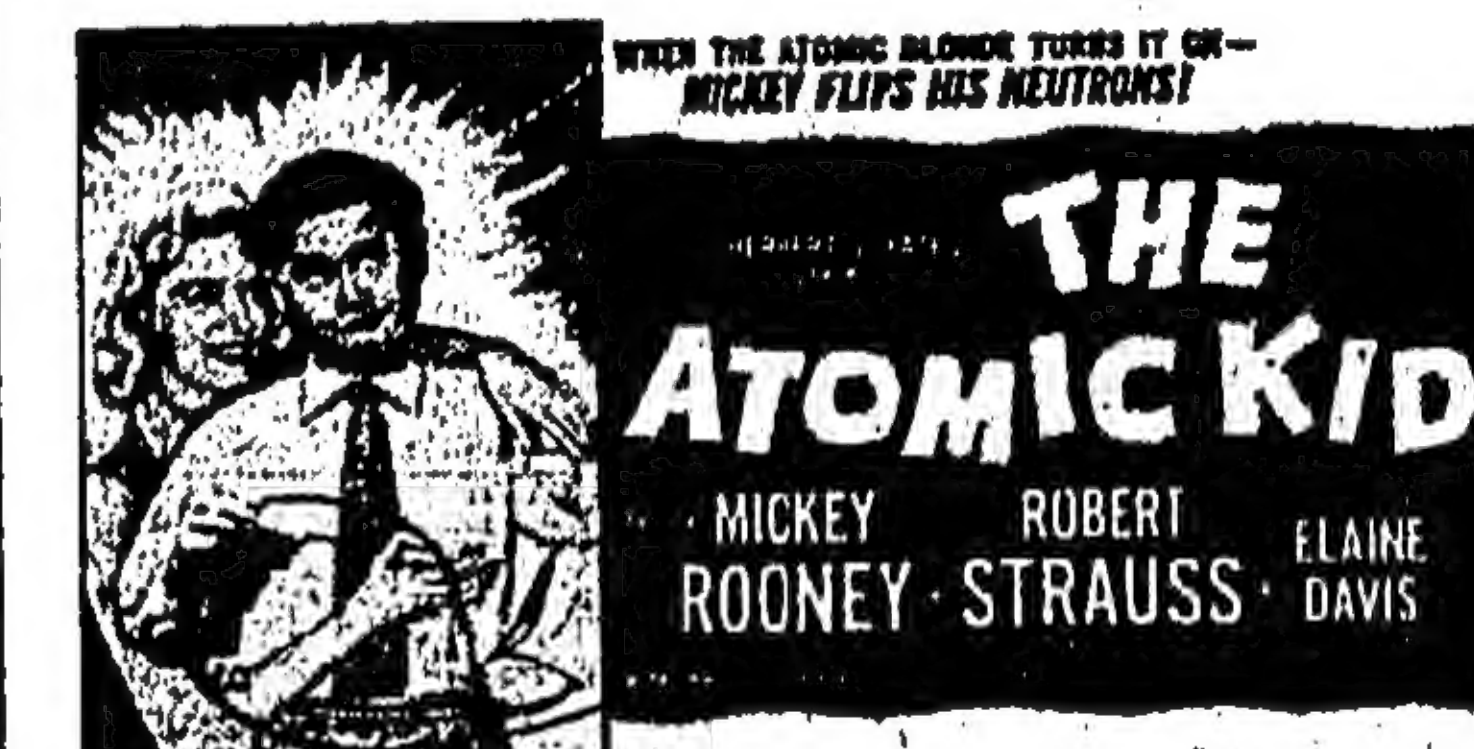
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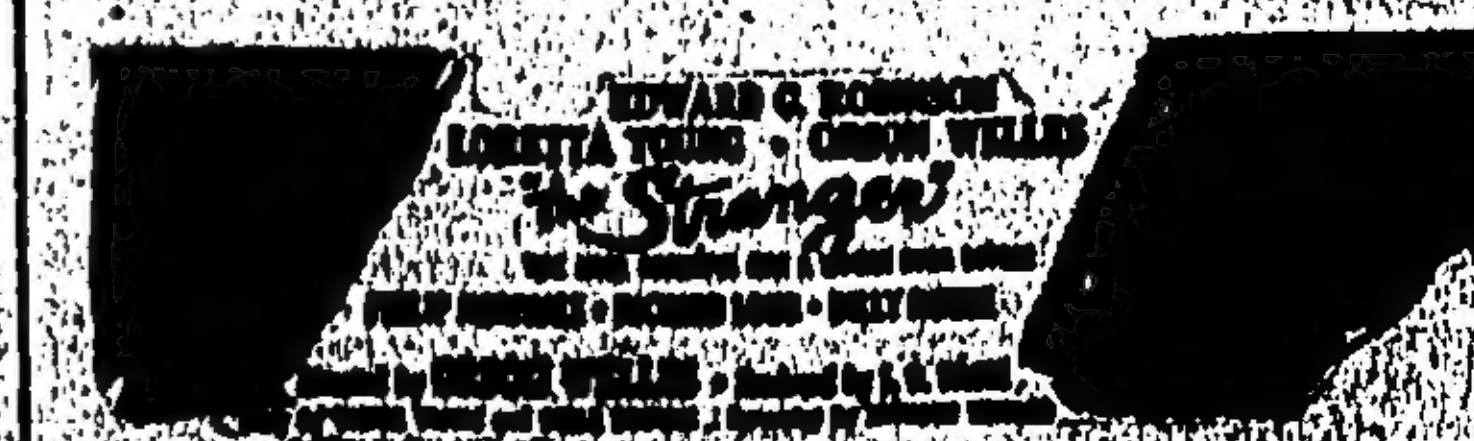
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# THE LAW BEATS THE DRUG TRAFFICKERS

By Vaughan Jones

IN the unceasing, hidden war against the dope dealers, Britain's police and undercover men are relentlessly beating the drug traffic.

Aided by Interpol—the International Police—and a worldwide network of underground tipsters, their drive is today forcing the smugglers to quit old hide-outs and move to new.

In the past, dope was sometimes secreted in the great airliners touching down along the route from the East.

But the sure, though slower, method of transport was still by ship—any kind of ship, little tramp or ocean liner, sailing the Middle or Far East sea lanes.

Liverpool, with its web of docks, its multi-raced seamen, its vast warehouses and murky back alleys, was the main terminal for the traffic. Before that it was London, with its miles of dockland, often blanketed with mist.

Now the dope dealers are being forced to move to Bristol, Cardiff, Swansea and other West Country ports.

## Tipped Off

BUT so good was the watch on them, that the Liverpool police have forewarned these centres whom to expect.

Not only that. The Liverpool police, tipped off in advance by their undercover men in the East, have helped in passing on information detailing the arrival of drug consignments. So customs men and police have formed a hidden reception committee as vessels drew alongside. The smuggler's first suspicion came when he was asked to open an innocent-looking package, when customs men and police probed a consignment of legitimate imports or when they dismantled a piece of ship's equipment.

Sequel has been an increasing number of prosecutions as



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the police have closed on the traffickers.

Last year there were 217 convictions, against 172 the previous year. But police officers point out that this does not show that dope peddling is increasing. It means that suspects are being more easily picked up as they handle the drugs.

The carriers are not only seamen. They have included immigrants from Africa and the East, bringing dope whose sale would have "set them up" while seeking regular employment.

The favourite is Indian hemp, used in making "reefers." It accounted for 141 of last year's 217 convictions.

It arrives in lots weighing anything up to 100 pounds. On shore it is split up into smaller parcels and passed through two or three middlemen, who each make a big profit.

The middlemen find new customers—they include young girls—by introduction through their current addicts. From the small packets, the addicts themselves usually make their own reefers.

This means that once the drug has reached the inland towns, the police task is infinitely complicated.

When suspects are caught and examined, most are unwilling to reveal their sources lest they implicate friends. Only occasionally do they break down and tell. Furthermore, the shady night dives haunted by addicts are used more for negotiating purchases than as places where the reefers are delivered.

## On The Run

THE police do not pretend that they can quickly stamp out the traffic.

An ounce of Indian hemp will make a hundred reefers, and each costs anything between 2s. 6d. and 10s. according to the size of the latest consignment and the addict's demand.

The big dope dealers are unlikely to abandon their trade readily.

But the police plan to keep them on the run, making it increasingly difficult for them to clear their consignments from the ships.

# £250 MILLION SWEET TOOTH

By J. W. TAYLOR

BRITAIN has become the largest consumer of sweets in the world. Latest statistics show a jump of more than 50 percent between the two World Wars, and it has gone on increasing until today the trade enjoys an annual turnover of £250 millions.

There is no slackening in the demand, despite high prices. Mushroom factories, back-room toffee boilers and increasing foreign competitors are pushing in on this tremendous boom, which has every British man, woman and child averaging 7½ ozs. of confectionery each per week, half sweets and half chocolate.

This is half an ounce more than they chewed before the last war, as compared with the weekly 5 or 6 ozs. of the Americans, 4 ozs. of the Canadians, and the 2 ozs. of the French, who are at the bottom of the world scale.

## COSTS MORE

Although they now cost three and four times prewar prices, sweets and chocolate are still one of the cheapest kinds of treat—and of food. They contain in good measure that important source of energy and heat—sugar.

Tastes are pretty much the same, according to locality. Mint flavours remain singularly popular in the North, where there is a concentration of in-

dustrial workers in jobs where smoking is prohibited.

It was the apothecary of old who gave the real impetus to the confectionery trade in Europe. After the introduction of cane sugar to Europe in the 13th century, confectionery was in a raw, crude state, and so expensive that the populace looked upon it as a great luxury but possessing important healing properties.

Later the old-time chemists started a confectionery trade by preparing sweetened potions and sugar-coated pills to make prescriptions more palatable. It was not until the sugar refining process came in in the 16th century that large-scale production became possible.

## CANDY BORN

In 1704, a barley sugar was prepared under the refining process by steeping barley in water and straining and boiling sugar in the water until it caramelised. The concoction of the chemists went down with patients much better when given in such appetising forms, so they started to make sugar preparations purely as luxuries and not remedies for ailments. Thus was candy born—and it came to stay.

By the 19th century, sugar became cheap and plentiful, which enabled sweet manufacturers to launch out on a grand scale, to satisfy a steadily rising public demand.

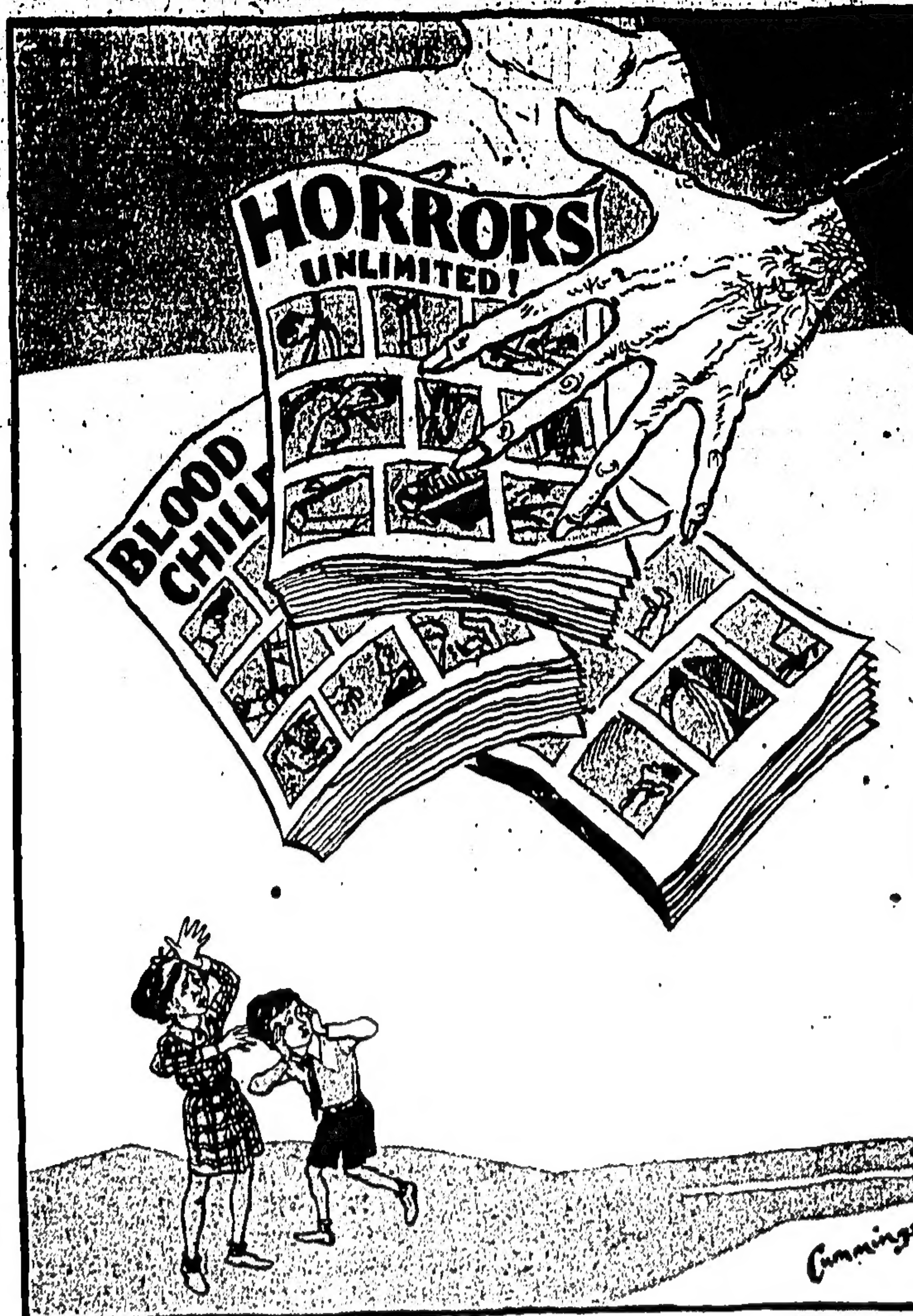
The full history of sweetmeats, however, goes right back into legend, for the art of making candy began when honey—the nectar of the gods—was first used as a sweetening agent. Ingredients of the very first sweets comprised honey mixed with nuts, fruit and eggs, which were heated to form a tasty morsel very popular with the ancients.

Sweets similar to these are today being made, although under more scientific conditions. A kind of nougat studded with nuts, as well as a very popular Turkish and Egyptian candy called "Halva."

## OLD FAVOURITES

Today the British manufacturers are turning their attention particularly to those well-remembered sweets of our childhood—old favourites like jelly beans, dolly mixtures, and "mottos," which disappeared during the war because many of them had to be made by hand. The industry has become largely mechanised, with mass-production methods in the bigger factories. Machines now wrap over 600 sweets a minute.

Soon, however, the youngsters are to be allowed as much fun in the sweet shop as their elders had in their young days. New mechanical techniques have been developed to bring back many old but wartime neglected favourites, including "gobstoppers," bullseyes, "baby comforters," almond balls, chocolate cigarettes, and pipe, liqueur, and cigar sweets, and all the old-fashioned "follies."



# DON IDDON CONTINUES ON THE SUNSHINE TRAIL

# The Keys Are Playing A Song Of The Shirt

Key West, Florida, THIS is the southernmost point in the United States—the end of the road. Half an hour's flight away, or eight hours by motor-ferry, lie Cuba.

But Cuba and the Cubans are also here in Key West itself. I have seen hundreds of dark-skinned, dark-eyed people and heard the gabble of Spanish along the streets and in the shops and cafes. Cuban boys race along the avenues on bicycles.

Key West reminds me of a Bahamian or West Indian town—it has a foreign look and feel to it and it is not as clean as most American cities. Only by the drug store, the hot-dog stand, and the fresh-juice counter can you tell that the most far-flung of the Florida Keys is a United States town. And the U.S. Navy is here in force to emphasise the fact.

## A walk

THE first night I was here I walked slowly down the main street, Duval, which actually runs from the Atlantic to the Gulf of Mexico, about half past nine, and got the strong impression that this is a honky-tonk Baghdad-bazaar type of town.

There are three or four and sometimes six bars to every block. The swinging doors had been fastened back and I saw noisy crowds of sailors' some in white, some in blue, lapping up whiskey with beer chasers and sometimes jangling to the juke-box jazz.

The Navy, which has an important base here, had taken over the town. Sailors blocked the busy night

clubs, the saloons, the tattooing parlours, and swung down Duval looking for women.

Apparently all the town of Key West provides on pay night for its sailors are booze and bromo-seltzer, and, of course, films. Even the solitary drug-store had only about 20 mysteries and paper-backed novels on display. There were no concerts, no forum discussions, and no dances taking place the first night I arrived, although Key Westers tell me that they take wonderful care of the sailors.

They should do. Without the Navy Key West, which is mainly fishing boats and clapboard houses, some of them needing a coat of paint, with second-storey balconies, porches, and tin roofs and surrounded by flowers, would not be prosperous. Without the Air-Naval base which you swing through on Route 1 at the end of the dramatic drive over the Keys, Key West would be a fishing village, an obscure port, and a hang-out for tourists.

## A debt

KEY WEST owes a lot to the Navy and it owes a lot to ex-President Harry Truman. A member of the staff of the Key West Citizen told me: "Mr. Truman was the best President the Keys ever had."

It was Mr. Truman, holidaying at Key West and wearing his swimming shirt with the tall outside the Presidential trousers, who put Key West on the front pages and on the motorists' map. Whenever Mr. Truman went to Key West, the date-line "Key West" made news.

The ex-President's frequent visits brought the tourists. Only 133,000 motor-cars made the trip across the Florida Keys in 1948. The figure was almost doubled in 1952. Mr. Truman's last term of office, and last year more than 300,000 cars rolled into Key West.

I rode the drive from Miami to Key West as the most spectacular in the world. You literally go to sea in your car. Overseas Highway, which is 122 miles long and leads from Key to Key, in blazing sunshine. There was ocean on each side of the narrow road.

## A dream

THE islands, which include Boca Chica, Summerland, Saddle Bunch, Big Pine, Fat Bear, Bonefish, Little Duck, No Name, Vaca and Sugarloaf, are a long finger thrusting through the Straits of Florida towards Cuba.

The Keys are a fisherman's heaven, and the bridges which vault from one island to another are lined with men and women fishing in the deep, bright-blue waters.

One bridge is seven miles long and rather like a roller-coaster railway. I put the top of my car down and roared across at about 85 m.p.h. There are no radar speed traps on the Ocean Overseas Highway.

There used to be a railway linking Miami to Key West and it was built by H.M. Flagler, of Standard Oil, the man who made Palm Beach.

Flagler, a ruthless, exacting man, pushed his railway at a cost of \$50,000,000 and 700 workmen's lives to the tip of Key West. Engineers said it could not be done and workers' wives and widows cursed Flagler and insisted that building the railway meant men dying or maimed for life.

## A wonder

THE railway brought a temporary prosperity to the Keys and passengers stepped off trains on to Cuba-bound ships. But in 1935 a great wind blew, and the Keys' most prized treasure was lost. The "Key West" made news.

is this highway which pumped new blood and money into Key West before the second world war, when the town was suffering from malnutrition in the depression.

Once you hit Key West you are on Truman Avenue. To demonstrate its gratitude to the ex-President, Key West has named streets, squares, and houses after the man from Missouri.

There is talk even today of giving the ex-President a house here.

Since I was last here there have been several changes. The Casa Marina is still the most impressive hotel. It fronts the ocean, sits in a tropical garden, and it cost \$2,000,000.

But again I stayed at one of the fine motels, which offer you excellent value at half the hotel price. Unfortunately there was a bigger trailer-camp nearby—Key West does not look down on trailers as a tropical Florida resorts do—and the camp was noisy and smelly.

## A writer

KEY WESTERS still talk about the days when Ernest Hemingway lived here. I was given a guide book showing points of interest and among them were listed: The Old Folks' Home, Deep-sea Fishing Docks, Turtle Crawl, Shrimp-fishing Boats, Municipal Aquarium, County Courthouse, U.S. Navy Base, Sponge Dock, and "E. Hemingway Home."

Mr. Hemingway, whose book "To Have and Have Not" was about Key West, has moved on to Cuba, where the taxes are smaller, but the man who acted as my guide here told me: "We wish Ernest would come back. He drew a lot of people to Key West; not as many as Harry Truman or even Herbert Hoover, but plenty I think you are the first British columnist we've ever had here."

Key West has little in common with Palm Beach or Miami apart from climate. It has no social swank or sandy beaches. Unlike the old port, which has known smugglers and pirates and was sacked by Ponce de Leon in his search for gold and overgrown with Spanish moss, the new Key West is a clean, modern town. It is a town that has not been overgrown by time, and it has a lot to offer.

"The main task of the Writers' Union, said the message, was to train Soviet writers in 'correct ideology' and to keep literature to the current themes of official policy. The union must continue to fight against the 'bourgeois ideology' and against all evidences of lack of Party feeling."

After such a start, it was obvious that the delegates must be cautious. There was much talk of the superiority of Soviet literature, and many professions of devotion to the Party. Naturally, no one even hinted that Party control was irksome. Nevertheless, some of the more sprightly contributors succeeded in making it plain that Party directives, far from being the "making" of Soviet literature in

## NO HINTS

Nevertheless, when the Congress opened on December 15, it looked as if it would be a disappointing affair. The tone was set by a message from the Party Central Committee, making it clear that Soviet literature was still not a field of activity in its own right but only an adjunct of the Party.

## REASON CLEAR

Olga Borggolds did not say why there had been such insincerity, but the reason is clear. Surov's play dealt with "homeless cosmopolitanism," the deviation which was a main target of Party invective at the time. Because it was ideologically inappropriate and had been approved by the Party's supreme arbiters no one dared say anything against it.

In fact, it was implied by many speakers at the Congress that literary awards had come to depend for success or failure on factors remote from literary merit. This came out particularly clearly in connection with the Stalin prizes, founded in 1939 under the aegis of Stalin himself.

While these prizes were still an annual event, they were loudly acclaimed in Soviet literary circles. But evidently, for at the Congress, writers took the view that the Stalin prizes had been a wretched institution all along, dividing literature into first, second and third-class categories, like manufactured goods.

One speaker, Valentin Ovchinnikov, went so far as to say that the prizes had sometimes been awarded on the basis of "personal tastes" instead of taking into account the opinion of readers, or even of the Writers' Union. This can only have been a reference, thinly veiled, to Stalin's interference.

## BITTER TOUCH

There was an element of bitterness in several Congress speeches, particularly in one or two very personal attacks on Konstantin Simonov, and in counter-attacks on his behalf. This in itself seemed to illustrate the references of many delegates to a particular malady of the Writers' Union—propositioning, or "splitting into factions."

Details of this group-ouching were not given, but there have been signs before among Soviet writers of rival cliques manoeuvring for position. No doubt this is the result of the writers' difficult position vis-à-vis the Party. But the paradox is that, by being thus divided, the writers help only to perpetuate the bondage of Soviet literature.

Those at the Congress who called for a new spirit of co-operation may have felt that there is a better chance of winning more concessions from the Party if the writers themselves present a united front.

## POCKET CARTOON BY OSBERT LANCASTER



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## • BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

WHEN those little gadgets for carrying clubs first appeared on golf courses, I put on my prophet's robes, covered with the signs of the Zodiac, adjusted my pointed hat, and foretold victory for the golfers themselves.

Yesterday I read that players will soon be able to sit in the small vehicles that carry their clubs, and be transported without effort between the tees. What we have to do now is to abolish the tedious of playing the strokes. We need a machine which will play the game while the player sits in the clubhouse, a kind of radar-controlled robot which would go through all the motions of a golfer and make his presence on the course unnecessary. Singing, rattling, rattle-rattle-rattle.

### In passing

THOSE attending a charity fancy dress ball are to have their clothing weighed before being admitted, to preserve the decorum. If what they wear weighs under four ounces, out they go. Disgrace, however, is not the only thing that will be weighed. The shoulder armor will have to be made of gold, solid material.

### The dear little thing

GARTH WENSLEYDALE, 11-month-old, drove to the stage-door in his new Phantom Six wild a bouquet for the leading lady. She

emerged just as he got out of the car. He handed her the bouquet, but her eyes were on the car. "Oh, Garth," she said, "in this for me? How perfectly sweet of you! (When an actress says, 'Is this for me?' she never waits for an answer.) She got in and faded with the bouquet. Garth, appalled, held out the flowers. "We don't need these, do we?" she asked, and flung them into the gutter.

### The old days

HOW do I know about actresses? Alas! Some years before the Flood I was standing at the stage-door of the Gaiety with a bunch of rubarb, ordered by one of the actors. "Good-night, Jupp," said a beautiful voice, and out came a Gaiety girl. Mistaking me for one of her beaux, she said, "Darling! Is this for me?" Before I could answer she had seized the rubarb and buried her exquisite tip-tooled nose in the fragrant bloom. Knowing a stick of rubarb from a stick of dynamite, I shouted, "Romano!" to the driver, and took to my heels. They do not pay me for my wages at Trower and Symonds, where I was employed as a tomato-seller.

\* The famous stage-door keeper at the Gaiety.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10

BORN today, you are one of those genial, home-loving individuals whose own family environment is the very essence of your existence. When you leave the family home, it should be to marry, so that you will have your own home and children. You will be a devoted mother and perhaps an over-protective parent, for your ties of kin are very strong, indeed.

You have many talents, but they are so diversified that you may have some difficulty in selecting a career early in life. Because of being able to do so many things well, you will not specialize in any one talent to any great extent. This, you will discover as you grow older, is a mistake. Only when you decide to concentrate on one single objective, will you reach the heights of success.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If a new opportunity opens, be sure to grasp it if you are positive that it is a step forward.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—In selecting any new work, be sure that you are especially fitted for the particular job in mind.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—It will be wise to be as tactful and diplomatic as possible to avoid any semblance of an argument.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—If business appears a little dull today, do not be discouraged. It is merely a temporary condition.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—If budget matters are troubling you, give them some serious thought. Make plans ahead.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—See that you are properly recompensed for the type of work you are doing. Don't hide your talents.

L. F. O. (July 24-Aug. 23)—You may be paid for that reserve knocking of cash in sudden demand may be made upon you for financial assistance.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Get business advice from experts in the field, rather than inexperienced but well-meaning friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Keep your mind on the job and you will be rewarded for your efforts with a raise or a promotion, maybe.

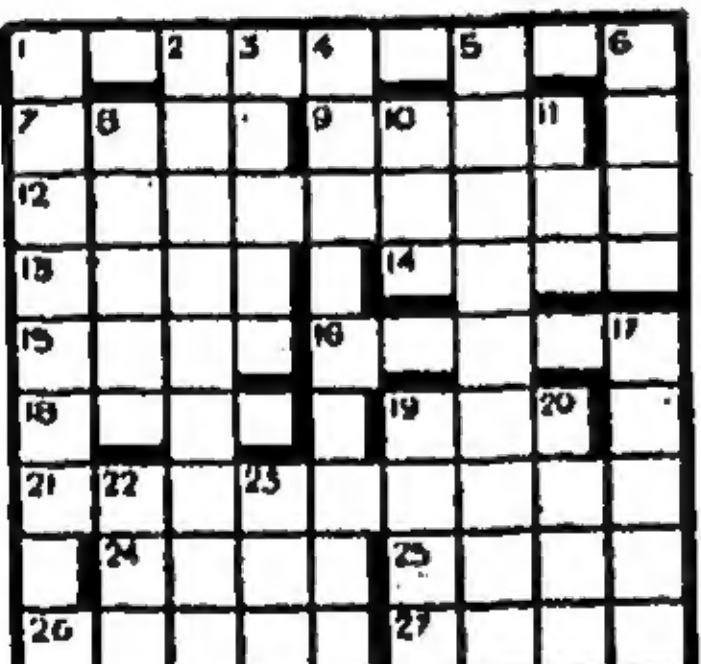
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Don't permit interruptions if you

have work that must be finished at a certain time. Stick to it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 23)—There may be upsetting influences in the background, working against your best interests.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—This is a day of your good progressive days this month. See that you make the most of it.

### CROSSWORD



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- Home for many sailors. (9)
  - A Chancellor of the Exchequer? (6)
  - Monster in the fog returning. (6)
  - Describes what can be endured. (6)
  - Employer. (4)
  - Laureate. (4)
  - Often found before the host. (4)
  - Town found in a thirteenth century. (4)
  - Q. I. talk. (3)
  - You've made your mark when you've done this. (9)
  - You're someone in one, in the Regu Army. (4)
  - Christopher Bean was on the stage. (4)
  - Turkey on the other side. (5)
  - Dry. (4)
- Down
- Mud entail. (Anag.) (5, 4)
  - February. (4)
  - Sound like a fat poet addressing a wife. (5)
  - Boy in a hat, surely not this! (5)
  - Bookish grower. (5)
  - Miss Lee the tea girl. (5)
  - Dollar one is often in the news. (5)
  - Rudolph's cousin, maybe. (5)
  - Bombing in the modern sense. (5)
  - High life, when you're in the swim. (5)
  - His foot- (5)
  - Let's in the swim. (5)
  - What's a word? (5)
  - Time to give (5)
  - What's a word? (5)

## • JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Think and Win In Bridge Game

By OSWALD JACOBY

TODAY'S hand would pose no problem to the rubber bridge player. You could practically throw the hand against the wall and still lose only two spades and a diamond at most. In a tournament, however, you would get practically no score at all for winning only ten tricks. You would have to concentrate on winning an overtrick.

When the hand was actually played in a recent tournament, many of the West players opened the king of spades. This, he declared, no trouble at all. He could win with the ace of spades, draw trumps and eventually lead a spade towards dummy's jack. This line of play would result in the loss of only one diamond and one spade.

At one table, West opened the jack of diamonds, a better choice. Mel Lobell, the New York expert who was playing the South hand, played a low diamond from the dummy, and East overtook with the queen of diamonds in order to return the nine of spades.

This sequence of plays, combined with West's spade overtrick, made the situation quite clear. Lobell therefore put up the ace of spades to win the second trick.

Declarer next drew three rounds of trumps, ending in dummy, and ruffed a small dia-

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mond. The rest of the plan was to lead three rounds of clubs, ending in dummy, and then return the king of diamonds from the dummy.

East had to play the ace of diamonds (it would have done him no good to duck), and Lobell discarded one of his two low spades, allowing East to win the trick.

At this point East had only diamonds and clubs left. It didn't matter what he led, for declarer would discard his last low spade and ruff in the dummy, thus making sure of the extra trick.

### CARD SENSE

Q—With neither side vulnerable, the bidding has been:

West North East South  
1 Dmd. Double 2 Dmds. ?

You, South, hold: Spades 8-7-5, Hearts A-J-4-2, Diamonds K-3, Clubs 8-7-4. What do you do?

A—Bid two hearts. You can afford a free bid, but you cannot quite make a jump bid. The king of diamonds may well be worthless, and you must therefore almost entirely disregard it. If the king were in any other suit you would make a jump bid of three hearts.

### TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-8-6-4-3, Hearts 7-5-2, Diamonds 8-6, Club 4. What do you do.

Answer Tomorrow

## DUMB-BELLS



## COLOUR! Says Mattli —From The Caribbean

By EILEEN ASCROFT

AFTER the froth and frills of Florence it is Britain's turn to step into the fashion limelight. The first of the London Spring shows went on in London recently.

Through the blacks and navy blues of Mattli's Spring collection displayed a fortnight ago, ran a galaxy of Caribbean colour. Hail pink, Havana blue, Cuban tan and Rico red... wonderful glowing shades in rich silks, lace and even cotton.

Cotton prints were used for an unusual range of cocktail dresses, disguised as day-time suits by small jackets which tie at the waist with a bow.

Bows are featured on suits and at the backs of coats and dresses. Huge butterfly bows in brilliant silks decorate the backs of slim, black cocktail dresses. For evening Mr Mattli uses many varieties of lace and revives charming feminine chiffons which drape so perfectly.

### FLOWER SLIPPERS

Most interesting daytime line was the three-quarter redingote jacket worn over a slim skirt. Mr Mattli calls these his Kingston suits.

Pretty details included brightly-coloured sprays of violets worn on the shoulders of suits and coats, and tinsel.

flower brocade slippers with plain fabric evening gowns.

Earlier, Charles Creed had shown a series of striped tweed suits with longer jackets. Details includeduffed jacket, satin stocks looped over pearl chokers and a jacket belted in front only and left loose behind.

An amusing corsetto belt for a slender dress was made by covering a boned gusset with suede fabric.

Creed chooses shades of navy, tan and yellow for his Spring models.

Most individual dressline was cut in one piece like a man's shirt and used both in tan wool and repeated in black silk for cocktail.

Intriguing and useful was the small jersey collection by Anna Tocco, of Turin. Slim-fitting jersey skirts were topped by bell-shaped, thigh-length jackets in a most effective new jacquard jersey. These had attractive, unusual picture-frame necklines.

The Italian shoes have never been more beautiful. There are two distinct lines, both court shoes with very shallow pointed toes. One has a small Louis heel, the other a tiny high spindly, so slender it is amazing it carries the human weight.

The model girls tell me this Serrano shoe is so beautifully balanced it is not tiring to wear.

### TENDENCY—



THREE-QUARTER redingote jackets which Mr. Mattli calls his Kingston suits, are an unusual feature of his tendency sketch No. 1. Its skirt has a slight "kick," its bodice and waist are closely fitted, and it is worn over a slim skirt.

London Express Service.

## A DELICIOUS BAKED DISH Pork Sausage And Apples

TIME for aromatic apples, not only to munch as is, to serve smartly with cheese, but to use as a tasty and healthful ingredient in many dishes.

Irish Sausage Supper is easy to make.

To prepare 4 to 5 servings, dry 1 lb. pork sausage slowly until golden brown; drain, put in 8-in. baking dish. Fry 2 sliced and sliced apples and 2 peeled and sliced onions in sausage fat. Pour off all but 1 tsp. of fat. Brown 1 tsp. flour in fat left in pan. Add salt and pepper to taste and 1 c. stock or bouillon; stir until thickened; pour over sausages. Mix lightly with fork. Top with 2 to 3 c. hot mashed potatoes. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) until potatoes are golden brown.

Apple-Indian Pudding is a variation of an old favourite. To prepare 4 servings of this wholesome delicious dessert, combine 1/3 c. each cornmeal and water. Soak 1 qt. milk in the upper part of double boiler; add cornmeal, stirring over low heat until thickened. Cover; cook over hot water 20 min. Remove from heat; stir in 1/2 tsp. salt, 1/4 c. sugar, 1/2 tsp. each powdered ginger and powdered cinnamon, 1/4 tsp. grated nutmeg, 1/2 c. molasses and 2 c. thinly-sliced, pared apples.

Pour into greased 1 1/2-qt. casserole. Bake in moderate oven (325° F.) for 2 hr. Serve warm or chilled, with cream, ice cream or hard sauce.

—ALICE DINHOFF

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Merlin the Musician

— He Fiddled at a Party, But Nobody Listened —

By MAX TRELL

Instead of Mr Merlin the Magician.

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, were sitting on the back steps outside the kitchen door when Mr Merlin the Magician came along.

They were surprised to see that he was carrying a fiddle case under his arm.

The two shadow-children smiled.

Knarf said: "Hello there, Mr Merlin. Where are you going?"

Mr Merlin stopped. He mopped his forehead with his handkerchief.

### The Birthday Party

"Going?" he said, sitting down wearily beside Knarf and Hanid. "I'm not going at all. I'm coming!"

"Oh," said Hanid, "where are you coming from?"

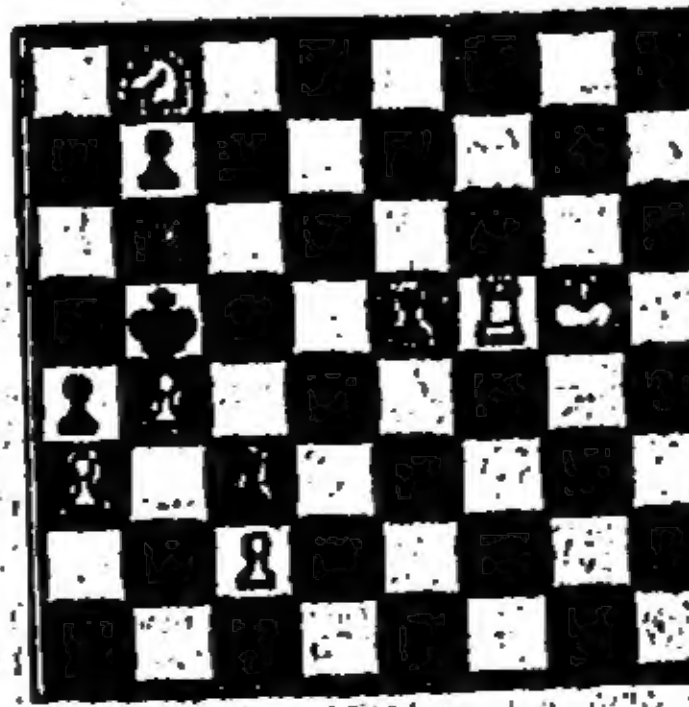
Mr Merlin the Magician shook his head sadly and said he'd better begin from the beginning.

"I guess, my dears, this is the first time you've ever seen me with my fiddle. I don't suppose you ever knew that I was a musician. I'm quite a good fiddler. Some of my friends know me as Mr Merlin the Musician."

### CHESS PROBLEM

By F. SCHMIDT.

Black, 6 pieces.



White, 6 pieces.  
White to play; mate in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:  
1. Kx-K7, any; 2. Q, or Kx mate.

### Rupert and the Magic Ball—41



Inside the room Rupert closed the door and hurried to shut the window. When he told the



The world's most famous footballer was 40 on February 1.... Should he now retire at the peak of his triumphs? STANLEY MATTHEWS answers

## NO!—AND I FEEL GOOD FOR ANOTHER FIVE YEARS

By STANLEY MATTHEWS

Too old at 40? Don't you believe it. It's how you feel that matters, not the number of birthdays you have had. And I'm fitter and stronger today than I was five or six years ago.

They may call me the Old Gentleman of Soccer—yes, I'm 40—but don't get the idea that I'm ready to quit. Far from it. Seven years ago I wrote that I had another five years of top-class football left in me. I meant that, but some people thought I was stretching it a bit.

Now, given my fair share of luck, I feel I can go on for even another five years.

But when you reach 40, an age when most players have hung up their boots, you can't help taking a peep over your shoulder to have a look back at those years gone by.

When your career has been packed with fun and every kind of thrill, drama, and excitement—as mine has—it is like reading a favourite book over again.

Those years in football come flooding back. Trips to almost every country in the world... 71 games in an England shirt... three Cup finals... that illuminated address for a record number of international games.

So they say I'm a changed man. I first started. The Continental and South American challenge has turned our football world upside down, as I found out five years ago.

But I'm not worried! I still think we can keep the Old Gentleman's life.

As I look back I try to recall my greatest thrill. It's a job, believe me. I have had so many.

I always used to plump for my very first game for Stoke.

Reserves against Burnley, way back in 1930.

I was 15 then, but I will always remember that game. We won 2-1, and my big thrill was to make the pass for the first goal.

But now that memory fades somewhat before an even clearer picture... Wembley, 1933.

Twice before I had stood on that wonderful turf and watched that Manchester United and then Newcastle players walk up the steps to receive their Cup winners' medals.

I began to despair. Would I miss this great honour?

THE GREAT DAY But away went those disappointments when the great day came. I shall never forget those scenes of victory. I have a film of the game and never tire of seeing it through.

And, of course, I have that winner's medal to keep my memory fresh—as if I should ever need it!

Don't think a footballer's life is all medals and fun. You get your share of disappointments and even tragedy.

My mind goes back to 1946—to that Stoke Cup game at Bolton when 33 spectators lost

their lives, and 600 were injured, when crowds broke through. It was football's blackest Saturday. Even a war-toughened British public were shocked.

Many hysterical words were spoken and written about that game. Should it have been continued, or stopped immediately?

I still think the referee was right in carrying on. If he had ended the game who knows how many more people might have been killed or hurt?

SPOTS OF TROUBLE There were three spots of personal trouble when I was at Stoke—the only three I had in 17 happy years there.

Each was reported as sensational. I had to go away from home to dodge the many phone calls and photographers.

They even called a town's meeting in 1938 to protest against a possible decision to transfer me from Stoke to another club. It had its effect, and the troubles between the club and myself were smoothed over.

They lasted that way for nine years. Then another spot of bother convinced me that we should part and eventually Blackpool handed over £11,500 for my signature.

I am still a Blackpool player, and hope to stay that way.

But let's think of the happier moments. Go back to Tottenham on December 1, 1937, for what many people call my greatest game.

I know I had a good match against Czechoslovakia that day and, believe it or not, I scored three goals—all with my left foot.

The last one was the most exciting. I had been playing inside-right most of the game because of injuries to George Mills and Jack Crayston. The score was 1-0, and the seconds were ticking off.

Then I got the ball near the halfway line, zig-zagged through the gathering darkness into the goal area and hit the ball past goalkeeper Planicka. It was the winner!

MY GREATEST GAME A year later we beat Ireland 7-0 at Old Trafford, Manchester, and I always think of this as my greatest game.

Certainly I got only one goal, but I had the pleasure of helping little Willie Hall, of Tottenham, to score five in succession. This was an English record for a full international.

As I think of that game I still feel sorry for the Irish left back, Willie Cook, of Everton. I also cannot forget his great sportsmanship.

Hall and I gave poor Cook the run-around that afternoon. Halfway through the second half Cook said to me: "Stan, if you bring that ball near me once more I'll wring your neck, so help me I will."

But he played me all through without a foul.

I've had bad games—plenty of them.

There was that affair in Zurich in 1936, when Swiss left back Lemann—a dance-band leader, by the way—played me out of the game.

MOST DIFFICULT BACK Maurice Reddy, of Leicester was the most difficult back I have ever met. Curiously enough I had never even heard of him when first he came up against me.

I had to grab a programme after the game to discover his name.

He did it again when we played Leicester in a Cup game and, after we had forced a draw, I dreaded the third meeting. Again I could not do a thing right against him.

I have often wondered why more was not heard of him. But victory is always pleasant and the best I ever experienced was when we slugged the Nazis 6-3 in Berlin a year before the war.

"Well played! You have done a good job for England this afternoon," we were told by a distinguished-looking visitor to our dressing-room. He was the late Sir Neville Henderson, then British Ambassador to Berlin.

That, and the Queen's "Well done" at Wembley, in 1936, remain my proudest memories.

The glamour of the game has meant everything to me. I am rarely happy away from a football.

But here am I, writing like a man who has played with the game. Well, here I am, back in five years' time telling you what it feels like to be playing football at 40. So I've been a bit of a fool. (London Express Review)



Now he is 40 and has had his picture taken hundreds of times the world over. On his birthday he pauses to look over the Matthews' portrait gallery. Each picture tells a story in the life of this twinkled-toed genius.

## Billy Kelly May Give Up His British Titles

By A CORRESPONDENT

Billy Spider Kelly, 22-year-old poker-faced Derry featherweight who added the British title to his Empire crown last month when he outpointed London's Sammy McCarthy, may not defend either title.

Young Spider, hailed as a national hero, has had a big offer to make a tour of America. Mr James McCafferty, the Derry businessman who is Kelly's chief adviser, tells me: "The offer is a very attractive one and a lot of money is involved. I hate to say it, but there is a grave danger that we in Ireland might be losing Billy Kelly."

"It is a big decision for the boy to make. Nobody knows what is going to happen." Much will depend on whether he takes the European title from the stylish French Champion, Ray Farnoch, at Belfast on March 28.

The American syndicate knows that Kelly, the fighter from the Emerald Isle who realised a boyhood dream by winning back his father's title, would be a natural for a ballroom coast-to-coast tour.

It would get the full treatment—lights, personal appearances, TV programmes, first-class travel, accommodation at the swankiest hotels, appearances with film stars.

I understand that the offer is so big that it would be difficult for Kelly to turn it down.

## Jack Solomons Denies Secret Agreement

London, Feb. 9.

British boxing promoter Jack Solomons said today that contrary to rumours circulating in New York he had not concluded any secret agreement with Rocky Marciano and Don Cockell for world heavyweight title bout.

He said that nothing was definitely fixed but that he and Cockell and his manager Johnny Simpson, would be leaving for the United States on February 15 to discuss the situation with Mr Jim Norris, President of the International Boxing Club, and with Al Weill, Marciano's manager.

However, Solomons did say that if the Chancellor of the Exchequer would say now that he would remove the tax on entertainments he (Solomons) would guarantee that Marciano and Cockell would fight in London.—France-Press.

## HOME RUGGER

London, Feb. 9.

Rugby Union results today were: London Irish 9, Dublin University 6.

The Army 8, Territorial Army 0.

Hospital's Cup, 1st round replay, King's College 3, St Paul's 18.—Reuter.

"The tour might last two years, though we have no exact details," said Mr McCafferty.

Kelly will also consider offers he has received from London promoters Jack Solomons and Stan Baker, and from South Africa.

In the meantime promoter Bob Gardiner, who gave Kelly his big chance against Roy Askup and McCarthy, is determined to try to arrange a European title fight in Belfast.

Man who made the first move on behalf of the American syndicate was Mr Willie Gallagher, former Derry promoter who is home after a visit to the States.

## FIGHT-HUNGRY

Another British Champion is to try his luck further afield.

Bantamweight Peter Keenan is fed up and fight-hungry. Result: Peter and trainer-manager Allick Adams fly to Australia four days after Keenan has met Frenchman Danilo Blin at Glasgow on February 22.

"I can't get fights here," complains Keenan. "There aren't any bantamweights in the country."

"The Australian promoters have offered me good money and three fights. I've jumped at the opportunity to get out of the useless rut British boxing is in."

Keenan's first "away" bout will be against Australian Bantam Champion Bobby Sinn for the vacant Empire title.

The other two opponents? Says Keenan: "Sinn and Sinn again—if our styles blend and we produce exciting fighting."

"Anyhow, I'm not worried. I just want the certainty of good fights. I'm restless too. Have always wanted to travel, and this is my first chance apart from a trip to South Africa."

Keenan was outpointed over 15 rounds for the world and Empire bantam titles by Vic Fowler in Johannesburg on January 26, 1952.

Keenan has fixed no date for his return. He says: "There may be offers to fight in Bangkok."

## SQUASH FINAL

D. Coffey beat L. Col. Sullivan 4-6, 6-8, 9-11, 9-7 in the final of the Colony Squash Championship at the Victoria Squash Courts yesterday.

and Singapore. I'll certainly take them if they're good enough.

"I might even fight my way round the world and come back through Mexico and America."

Fighting alongside Keenan in Australia will be Scottish Champions Don McTaggart, the Paisley lightweight, and Roy McGregor, Glasgow welter.

While Keenan is away his wife will look after their Gorbals pub, The Sportsman's Bar. Scottish heavyweight Hugh McDonald, has been appointed to keep things quiet and orderly.

(London Express Service).

## MCC Team To Meet Victoria

Melbourne, Feb. 9.

The MCC team to meet Victoria in the four-day match being played here on Friday will be chosen from the following twelve:

P. B. H. May, M. C. Cowdrey, R. E. Bailey, T. W. Graveney, R. T. Simpson, J. H. Wardle, W. T. Edrich, F. Tyson, J. B. Statham, R. Appleby, K. Andrew, and P. J. Loader.

One of the bowlers will be omitted.

Cowdrey, whose nose was injured in the Fourth Test, is feeling much better and will have a try out in the nets tomorrow. If he is unfit another batsman will deputise.

The wives of captain Len Hutton and wicketkeeper Godfrey Evans are due to arrive tomorrow.—Reuter.

## Detorit Bids For Olympic Games

Washington, Feb. 9.

The Senate today approved and sent to the House a resolution inviting the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Olympic games at Detroit, Michigan.—United Press.

## SCOTTISH CUP REPLAYS

London, Feb. 9.

Inverness Celticians beat Avon United 4-3 after extra time in a Scottish Cup fifth round replay today.

Rangers beat Dundee 1-0.—Reuter.

## HKBA MEETING

## Thomas Cup Match Against India Postponed To April

The Hongkong Badminton Association has agreed to postpone its Asiatic Zone Thomas Cup tie with India, from late March to April 9 and 10. This was announced at an Executive Committee meeting of the Association, held at Marina House last night, with Dr the Hon. A. M. Rodrigues in the Chair.

The Executive Committee came to this decision following the reading of a telegram from the Indian Badminton Association which stated "Unable to play in Malaysia. Suggest postpone to April 9 and 10."

The Hon. Secretary of the HKBA, Mr Ramon Young, is to cable back announcing the acceptance of the date, and advising the Indian Badminton Association to inform the International Badminton Federation of the change in plans.

The Indian B.A. is also to await further information from Badminton officials in Hongkong before going ahead with all preparations, as the HKBA is still experiencing financial difficulties.

## BADMINTON DANCE

In an effort to raise funds to send a team to India, a Badminton Dance will be held. Club Lusitano or the Craigengower Cricket Club were suggested as likely venues. The Organising Committee is to probe the possibilities of such a venture and report to the Executive Committee.

Vice-President of the HKBA Association, who attended both the recent Exhibition matches has expressed the opinion that many of Hongkong's team that played against Japan, were completely out of practice.

Dr Rodrigues, who was also present at these exhibitions, added that he too noticed this point. He added that the team to go to India, need not be the same as the last that represented Hongkong against Japan.

## ADVICE TO COMMITTEE

Dr Rodrigues advised the Committee that in order to avoid any criticism the Thomas Cup Selection Committee should have a list of playing members of those who have a chance of making the team.

Continuing, Dr Rodrigues stated that against Japan the Selection Committee consisted of Mr W. B. Brown, Dr Low Koon-soo and Mr Patrick Wong, and that these men did a grand job to the best of their abilities. It must have been rather embarrassing, he said, that Mr Wong and Dr Low had to select themselves, but in the circumstances it was necessary.

However, for this forthcoming tie against India, as it is to be played away from Hongkong, it would be better if there were no playing members of the team on the Selection Committee.

This is not to say that either Mr Wong or Dr Low were partial in their selection, but to completely safeguard the players, the Selection Committee and the Association from any grouse or criticism.

Mr W. B. Brown added that Mr Wong, Dr Low and himself, played up hill nearly three in the morning before selecting the Thomas Cup team to meet Japan, and the team was selected absolutely on form and by the help of a gigantic chart form of the players.

A new Selection Committee elected as follows, Dr the Hon. A. M. Rodrigues (to act as mediator and chairman), Mr W. B. Brown, Mr David Kwok and Mr W. Gillies.

The team is to be selected on March 4.

Those selected for training included the original Thomas Cup team, plus those players who participated in the recent exhibitions. The complete list of "possible" Thomas Cup players are as follows: Ramon Young, Bill Fink, J. B. Pomery, J. B. Dr Low, Koon-soo, Robert Taylor, Patrick Wong, Dr Hoah Hock-thye, S. K. Wong, Jimmy Khoo, M. A. Ebrahim, J. A. Soares, P. Y. Yip, K. C. Wong and W. F. Foo.

A letter is to be sent to every candidate informing him that he has been selected for training and asking him, if he is selected to represent Hongkong against India, whether he would be able to get at least ten days leave.

Mr Zander Took had one last comment to make. He advised the Selection to go ahead and pick the younger players so as to give them big match experience.

Dr Rodrigues' last comment on the match with India was "Anything can happen in a game of this nature. India, having played in international competition and playing on home ground against Hongkong will naturally have the advantage, but Hongkong's representatives will do their best."

A feature of yesterday's meeting was the exceedingly poor attendance by Club representatives.

Due to the importance of the meeting, it was expected that all clubs would be represented, but many representatives failed to turn up. Of a Committee of nearly 24, less than half was present.

The present at yesterday's meeting were: Dr the Hon. A. M. Rodrigues (Chairman), Mr Ramon Young (Hon. Secretary), Mr W. B. Brown, Mr M. Olliviera, Insp. J. K. Leighton, Mr J. B. Pomery, Mr L. M. Sousa, Mr H. Barros, Mr Z. Tsok and Mr M. T. Lam.

The next Executive Committee Meeting will take place at Marina House on Tuesday, March 1.

## LEAGUE FIXTURES

The following are the revised fixtures for the 1954-55 Hongkong Badminton league.

Men's 'A' Division  
CYMCA (W) v CCC from March 4 to Friday, February 11.  
CCC v CYMCA (B) from February 14 to Monday, February 14.  
CYMCA (W) v CYMCA (B) from February 14 to Tuesday, February 15.  
CCC v Recreio from January 21 to Tuesday, February 17.

CYMCA (W) v HKU from January 19 to Friday, February 18.  
CYMCA (W) v CYMCA (B) from January 31 by Mutual Arrangement.  
HKU v CYMCA (W) from February 21 to Monday, February 22.  
CYMCA (B) v Recreio from February 21 to Monday, February 22.

CCC v CYMCA (W) from February 22 to Monday, February 23.  
Recreio v CCC from March 14 to Friday, February 18.  
CYMCA (B) v CYMCA (W) from March 14 to Friday, March 4.

Recreio v CYMCA (W) from March 7 to Tuesday, March 8.  
Recreio v CYMCA (W) from March 7 to Tuesday, March 8.  
Junior Mixed Doubles games due to be played on these dates have been arranged to be played on alternate days by mutual consent, these names can be played on neutral courts, at the Recreation Club or Talkies Club on application to Hon. League Secretary.

Men's 'C' Division  
HKU v Recreio from February 1 to Wednesday, February 16.  
Recreio v CCC from February 2 to Thursday, February 16.  
HKU v HKU from February 2 to Thursday, February 16.

Recreio v HKU from February 10 to Thursday, March 3.  
HKU v CCC from February 10 to Thursday, March 3.  
CYMCA v CCC from February 23 to Thursday, March 10.

VCMCA v Recreio from February 18 to Thursday, February 25.  
CYMCA v Recreio from January 20 to Thursday, March 24.

Junior Mixed Division  
VCMCA v HKU from February 11 to Friday, March 11.  
VCMCA v HKU from February 11 to Friday, March 11.

LINDWALL FIT FOR FIFTH TEST

Brisbane, Feb. 9.

Australian fast bowler Ray Lindwall will be available for selection for the Fifth Test beginning in Sydney on February 28.

Lindwall, who was unable to play in the Fourth Test because of a strained leg muscle, has a try out at Brisbane Cricket Ground today and afterwards declared himself "perfectly fit."

He had already been chosen for the Australian team to tour the West Indies.—Reuter.

## THE GAMBOLS



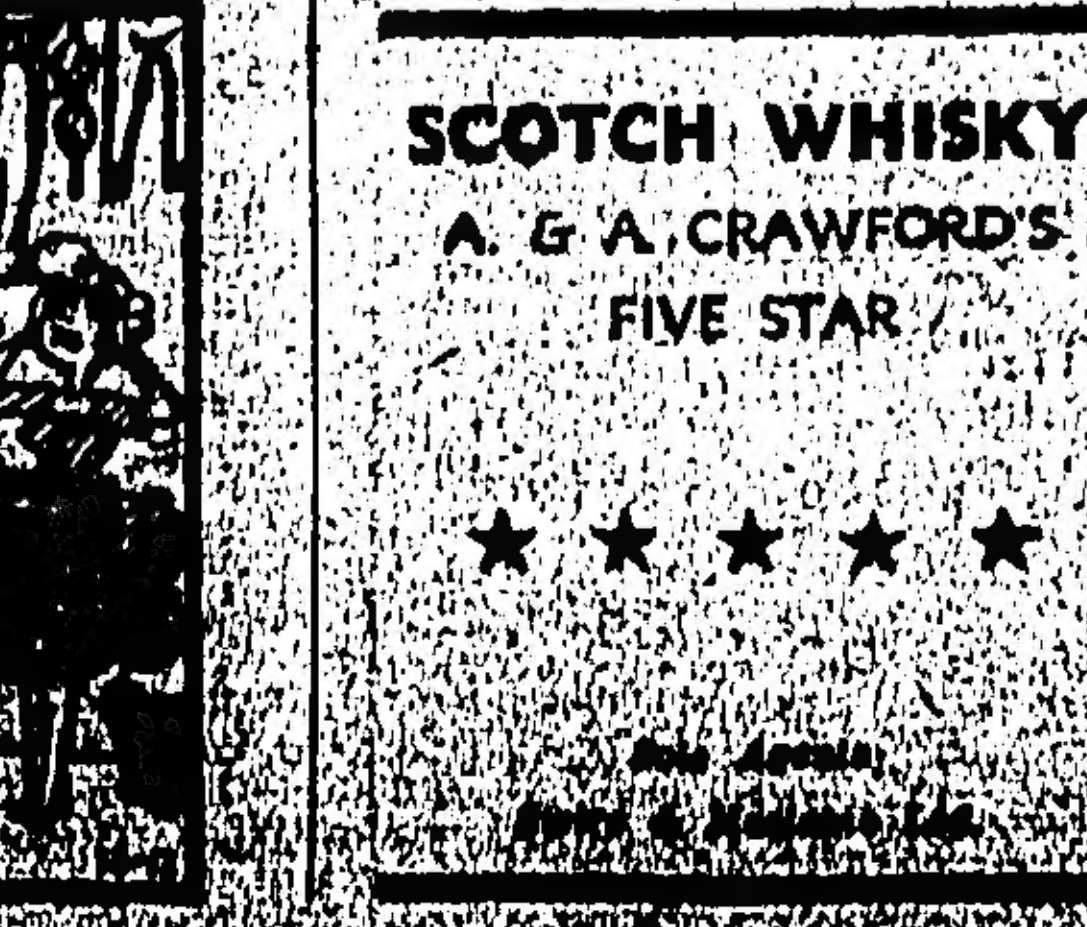
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## SCOTCH WHISKY



## A G. A. CRAWFORD'S





# SAUNDERS' RUGGER INTERNATIONAL Davies And Butterfield Can Be England Match Winners

By J. R. WATKINS

Ireland held France to a winning margin of two points in their first international of the season. But on the evidence of England's performance against Wales, if anything like decent weather conditions prevail at Dublin on February 12, England must be regarded as probable winners against Ireland.

Wales have perhaps the best pack in the four Home Countries. Against it England's inexperienced eight fought for the full 80 minutes and gave as good as they got.

On that reckoning, England's pack must be allowed a good chance of holding Ireland and, given sufficient of the ball for their three quarters, particularly the two centres, Davies and Butterfield, of piling up the points.

Only bad luck prevented them on a couple of occasions from running through the Welsh defence. Had the ground been firmer, they would have beaten Wales.

Ireland have a good goal-kicker in Henderson and they have brought in Jackie Kyle. Perhaps not the same player of a couple of seasons ago—he was the greatest stand-off half in the four Home Countries—Kyle is still a fine tactician.

Kyle and the Irish pack's policy in recent years of playing the touch-line will have to be watched. But outside the scrum, England are immeasurably the better side.

Against Wales, Williams and Baker, the new half-back combination, came through in a

system of heavy fire with great credit. Williams, not always terribly accurate, has a long service to prevent opposing wing forwards from getting up on the stand-off half. Baker is a sure catcher.

England have two strong-running wing men. But centres Davies and Butterfield are the likely match-winners.

**SLOWED A LITTLE**  
Nim Hall, England's full back, is still a safe catcher but has slowed a little. He does not rise many licks, but he is not a great penalty taker, as was shown against Wales. It would not surprise me if Woodward took the penalties with scoring possibilities outside the 25.

The Irish always fight, but at present they are re-building and are nothing like as strong as when they won the Triple Crown in successive seasons a few years back.

Of that great pack, the foundation of their victory and inspired by Kyle, only he remains.

Ireland's pack staged a great rally against France. They proved then that in addition to starting they have a wonderful fighting spirit.

Having lost to Wales, England cannot win the Triple Crown. They are going to be hard pressed to win the Championship. They could demolish Ireland, Scotland and France and possibly still share in the Championship.

To have a chance of that, they must win this match. I think they can and will.

**THE TEAMS**  
Ireland: W. R. Tector (Wanderers); J. T. Gaston (Dublin University); N. J. Henderson (N.I.F.C.); A. O'Reilly (Old Belvedere); A. C. Pedlow (Queen's University); J. W. Kyle (N.I.F.C.); J. A. O'Meara (Dolphin); E. Anderson (N.I.F.C.); R. O'Donoghue (Bective Rangers); R. H. Thompson (Captain) (Institution); T. E. Reid (London Irish); J. S. Mc-

Carthy (Dolphin); R. Kavanagh (Wanderers); M. J. Cunningham (University College, Cork).  
England: N. M. Hall (Richmond); J. E. Woodward (Warrs); J. Butterfield (Northampton); W. P. C. Davies (Hartlepool); R. Bazley (Liverpool); D. G. S. Baker (O. M. T.); J. E. Williams (O. M. T.); G. W. Hasling (Gloucester); N. Lubuschagne (Guy's Hosp); D. St. G. Hazell (Leicester); P. D. Young (Dublin W.); J. H. Hancock (Newport); P. H. Ryan (Richmond); P. J. Taylor (Northampton); R. Higgins (Liverpool).

(London Express Service.)

**RHQ WIN  
25 FD REGT  
ATHLETICS**

Regimental Headquarters athletic team yesterday won the annual 25 Field Regiment RA athletic championships, which took place at Boundary Street, when they amassed a total of 87 points to beat 35 Battery and 54 Battery who tied for second place with 73 points each.

At the conclusion of the afternoon's sport, Mrs. Cox, wife of Lt. Col. E. H. Cox, M.C./R.A. presented the prizes.

Prior to the last event being run off, only six points separated the three teams. The mile, which was the last event on the programme, saw RHQ runners taking second, third and fourth places for the points necessary to win the championship.

Sgt. Moore of 35 Battery completed a grand double by winning both the three mile and the mile events. In the three miles, he took an early lead and romped home with a terrific sprint.

In the mile, Moore immediately hit the front, and increasing his lead with every lap, breasted the tape nearly 75 yards ahead of Cpl. Dalziel.

2/Lt. King had a field day winning the shot put, javelin and 440 yards. His effort in the shot put was an extremely good one.

**THE RESULTS**  
Pole Vault: 1. Capt. Hurn (54); 2. L/Rdr. Collins (35); 3. Sgt. Higgins (54).  
Three Miles: 1. Sgt. Moore (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
Mile: 1. Sgt. Moore (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
440 Yards: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
Shot Put: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
Javelin: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
100 Yards: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
50 Yards: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
20 Yards: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
10 Yards: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
5 Yards: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
2 1/2 Yards: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
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1/8 Yard: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
1/16 Yard: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
1/32 Yard: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
1/64 Yard: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
1/128 Yard: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
1/256 Yard: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
1/512 Yard: 1. 2/Lt. King (35); 2. Cpl. Austin (RHQ); 3. Cpl. Street (54).  
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 9.30 and 11.00 a.m. on Friday, 11th  
 February, 1955.

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Everyone Will Have  
A Say In New  
Swedish TV

Stockholm, Feb. 9.

The state is to have a finger in the pie when  
 Sweden starts regular, nation-wide television  
 services in July 1956.

A Government-appointed Committee of six  
 men which has drawn up the plan of operations  
 believes that programmes will be freer if the state  
 has a say in the appointment of its directors. The  
 television services will therefore be merged into  
 the semi-official Swedish (sound) Broadcasting  
 Corporation and all commercial programmes will  
 be banned.

Swedish television, the Com-  
 mittee said, should ideally serve  
 the interests of "the community,  
 culture, national education and  
 the home."

## HANDS OF EXPERTS

These aims can be  
 achieved only if the choice  
 of programme is left in the  
 hands of experts free  
 from outside pressure. In  
 commercial television, the  
 Committee added, producers  
 are under an obligation to  
 create programmes pleasing  
 to their sponsors.

The man who pays the piper  
 calls the tune.

To prevent the state from  
 calling the tune, its participation  
 in the widened Broadcasting  
 Corporation will be limited to  
 appointing six of its eleven  
 directors, including the Chair-  
 man of the Board.

Against this, the state will not  
 be a shareholder. The shares in  
 the widened Corporation, which  
 is to be organized as a joint  
 stock company, will be held by  
 a number of non-state or-  
 ganizations forming a cross-  
 section of national life.

They are: the Swedish news-  
 papers, the radio trade, the  
 Free Churches Co-operation  
 Committee, the National Temper-  
 ance Society, the co-  
 operating cultural societies, the  
 Association of Swedish Film  
 Producers, the Swedish Associa-  
 tion, the Swedish Industrial  
 Association, and the Trades  
 Unions Federation.

These organizations would  
 appoint the remaining five  
 directors.

PRESENT HOLDING  
 In the present Swedish  
 Broadcasting Corporation,  
 two thirds of the shares are  
 held by newspapers and  
 one third by the radio  
 trade.

It is proposed that the news-  
 papers should remain majority  
 shareholders in the widened  
 Corporation, since they are in  
 constant touch with public  
 opinion and thus best able to  
 represent it in television.

Rejecting sponsored pro-  
 grammes, the Committee said  
 that they would not bring in  
 as much revenue as their adver-  
 tisers would not use television  
 until it had become a successful  
 national medium. Yet revenue  
 would be most needed in the  
 early stages before this success-  
 ful position had been reached.

The venture will, therefore,  
 be financed by licence fees.  
 Licence fees will cost 60 crowns  
 (about £5.10s) a year each  
 but may be paid in four quar-  
 terly instalments of 20 crowns  
 each.

These are high fees but tele-  
 vision is expensive to run in  
 Sweden which has an area  
 larger than France and a po-  
 pulation of only 7,000,000.

Charm Bracelets  
Popular

London, Feb. 9.  
 Charm bracelets with a  
 theme are the inspiration  
 of one London Jewellery  
 firm.

The "sport" bracelet  
 with its miniature golf  
 racket, bat, crossed hockey  
 sticks, tennis racket and  
 ball, the skate, roller skate  
 or football is proving the  
 most popular.

There are also two balls  
 of matching rattles dis-  
 playing either the tennis  
 racket or the roller skate  
 inside a hoop.

The firm also makes a  
 "nursery" bracelet. This  
 one has a cot with a baby  
 in it, a high chair, rocking  
 horse, a pram, a stork  
 carrying a baby and a  
 crawling infant—all in gilt.

And there is a "musical"  
 bracelet with a miniature  
 guitar, accordion, saxo-  
 phone, drum and mandolin.  
 Earrings in the shape of  
 musical clefs complete the  
 set.

A "traveller" bracelet boasts  
 a traffic light, a saloon car,  
 a motorcycle, a racing car,  
 and even a policeman.—  
 China Mail Special.

India-Indonesia  
Officer Exchange

Djakarta, Feb. 9.  
 India and Indonesia have  
 agreed to attach a few officers  
 to each other's air force to gain  
 additional experience, skill and  
 techniques to their mutual ad-  
 vantage, as well as to the greater  
 development of the respective  
 forces.

The Foreign Office here said  
 that the two governments also  
 decided to start an air force  
 courier service to be run on a  
 reciprocal basis.

Such a service, it was agreed,  
 would help greatly in cementing  
 ties and facilitate administrative  
 arrangements as well as giving  
 valuable flying experience to  
 officers.—France-Press.

ATTEMPT  
ON LIFE  
OF SAAR  
PREMIER

Saarbrücken, Feb. 9.  
 An attempt was made  
 on the life of Premier  
 Johannes Hoffmann of the  
 Saar last Saturday morn-  
 ing, the Saar Information  
 Office revealed today.

The information Office said  
 that a parcel was delivered at  
 Premier Hoffmann's home, "the  
 contents of which might have  
 seriously hurt" the Saar  
 Premier.

The parcel was delivered by  
 regular mail, the Information  
 Office said.

Political observers said the  
 Saar Government apparently  
 had decided to withhold in-  
 formation on the attempt until  
 brought in order not to interfere  
 with investigation of the at-  
 tempted crime.

Giving no further details,  
 the Information Office merely  
 stated that a special police  
 squad had been delegated to  
 investigate.—United Press.

## Karschi, Feb. 9.

An open military dictatorship  
 will be established in Pakistan,  
 if the Federal Court decides two  
 weeks from now that the dis-  
 solution of the Pakistan Con-  
 stitution Assembly by Governor-  
 General Ghulam Mohammed  
 last October was illegal, sources  
 close to the Government said  
 today.

The Chief Court of the Sind  
 Province earlier today ruled  
 that the dissolution was illegal,  
 and gave the Governor-General  
 two weeks to appeal to the  
 Federal Court.—France-Press.

## Lisbon, Feb. 9.

Francisco Ferreira, 50, was  
 electrocuted while hunting a rat  
 in his poultry-yard, the Lisbon  
 newspaper "Diário de Notícias"  
 reported.

The newspaper said that  
 Francisco was in such a hurry  
 that he touched the two poles  
 of the switch and fell dead,  
 electrocuted.—China Mail  
 Special.

Aussies Will Sneak  
Up On The  
PenguinsPOLAR PARTY'S  
ODD EQUIPMENT

Melbourne, Feb. 9.

More than 500 tons of  
 equipment, ranging from  
 long-handled fish landing  
 nets for catching penguins  
 to three tracked vehicles  
 and a tractor, are aboard the  
 Danish ice-breaker Kista  
 Dan now heading south  
 from here with relief parties  
 for Australian bases at  
 Macquarie Island and on the  
 Antarctic mainland.

Requisitioning of stores by the  
 Antarctic Division of Australia's  
 External Affairs Department  
 caused many raised eyebrows  
 and invited explanations from  
 the usually staid Government  
 Department.

With the order for fish land-  
 ing nets with six-foot long  
 handles went a demand for sup-  
 plies of quick drying aircraft  
 paint—and the explanation that  
 members of the expedition at  
 Macquarie Island sneaked up on  
 the penguins, popped the net  
 over them in much the same  
 way as a butterfly hunter does  
 with his quarry, and dabbed  
 the paint on the bird's flippers.

The marked birds are then  
 tracked down, and records kept  
 of their life and habits.

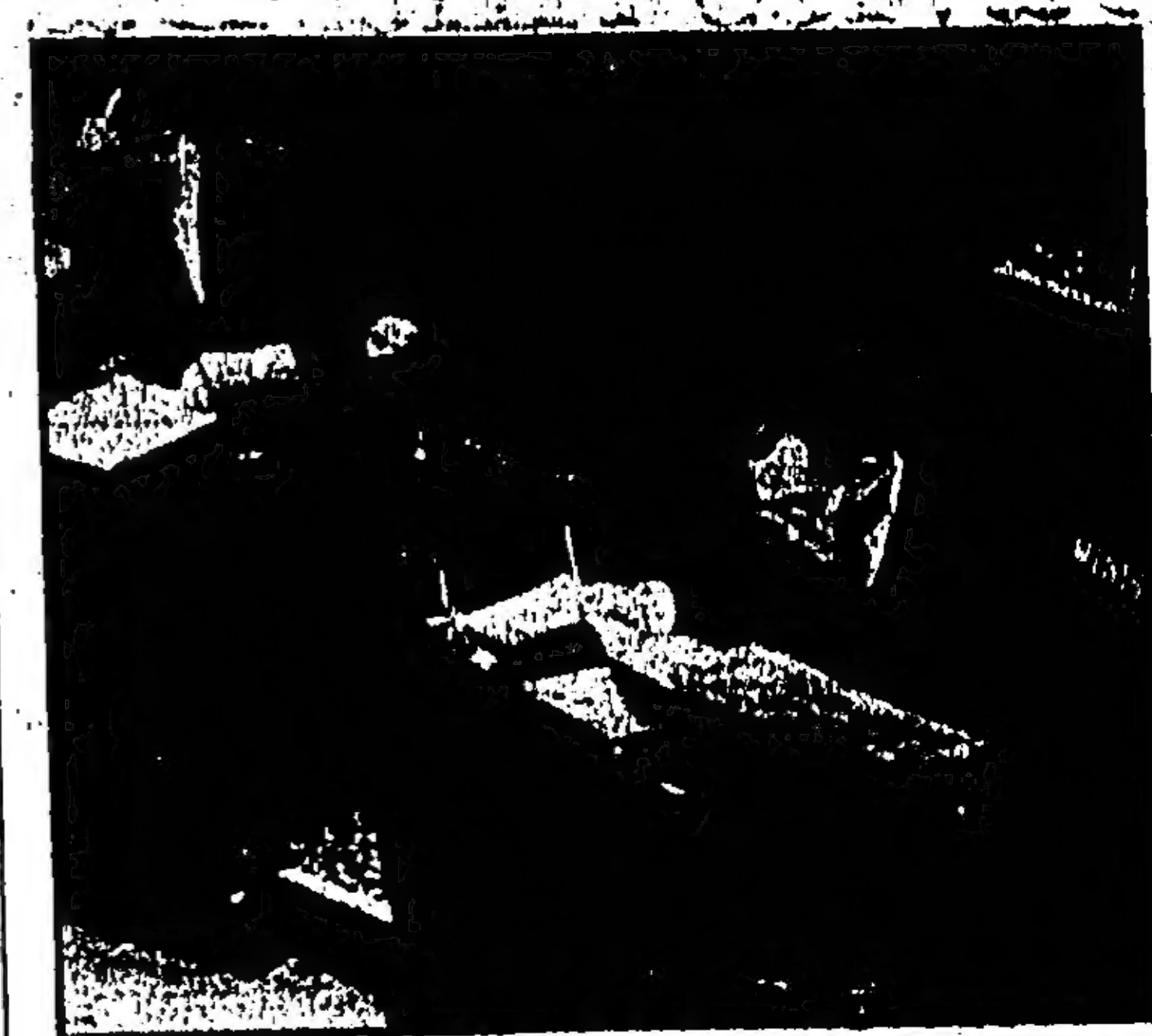
Since last July, 1,200 orders,  
 ranging from one to 200 items  
 on each order form, have been  
 put in for the expeditions.

## Special Concrete

For Mawson base, on the  
 Antarctic Mainland, Kista Dan  
 has loaded 25 cubic yards of  
 special quick-drying concrete.

This is far more expensive than  
 normal concrete. But it dries  
 in 15 minutes and beats the  
 cold, which freezes water in  
 normal concrete before it sets  
 and causes it to crack open.

Sand and gravel has to  
 be taken along. Mawson has  
 solid rock as a base. Without  
 complete quarrying equipment



M. Mendes-France, the French Premier, studies a paper as  
 he sits in the National Assembly during a period when a series  
 of attacks were made on his North African policy by a mem-  
 ber of his own Radical Party, M. Reno Mayer.—Central Press  
 Photo.

it is impossible to get the  
 material to mix the concrete.  
 A concrete mixer is included  
 in the stores.

Mawson this year will also  
 get the three tracked vehicles—  
 named weasels—and the tractor  
 for haulage work close to the  
 base. The weasels will replace  
 similar snow vehicles lost during  
 the past twelve months.

Sledges, both for dog and  
 human pulling, are included.  
 The attention to detail re-  
 quired by the men in charge of  
 stores is shown in the fact that  
 with the sledges go reel after  
 reel of medical adhesive tape—  
 for sledge wrappings. The tape  
 is used on the runners and on  
 other parts of the frames to stop  
 wear. Past experience has  
 proved it the best material for  
 this purpose.

Mawson has one big problem  
 not associated with sub-Antarctic  
 Macquarie Island. The extreme  
 cold on the mainland makes it  
 impossible to use bottles in  
 containers, their contents freeze,  
 and break the glass.

At Mawson, most food is  
 stored outside, and what little  
 is not is put in an unheated hut.

Tins and plastic jars are used  
 for the most part for such items  
 as sauces and drinks. But  
 cordials, of which a big supply  
 is included, were found to be  
 unsatisfactory stored in such a  
 way. So powdered cordials,  
 which need only water added  
 for drinking, have been specially  
 provided.

On the first expedition to  
 Mawson, the stores department  
 got hold of plastic bags to store  
 oatmeal and cocoa. No questions  
 were asked about the origin of  
 the bags, but a signal from  
 Mawson base supplied the  
 answer.

Said the signal: "Talc powder  
 lot" in bags does not alter  
 favour much but next year's  
 boys may be sissies and not  
 like it."

This year, canisters are being  
 used for both oatmeal and cocoa.

## Insulator Tape

Insulator tape and string for  
 wrapping around tool handles  
 whose bare metal would burn  
 the skin, are essential for the  
 Mawson base. A special paste  
 from England which insulates  
 steel against extreme cold is  
 also included in the stores. This  
 is applied to wireless aerials and  
 guy ropes on huts, stops snow  
 forming.

Old railway sleepers are  
 taken down. In a land where  
 foundations cannot be dug  
 through ice and rock for huts,  
 the buildings are first bolted to  
 the sleepers as a solid base, and  
 are then tied down.

Five huts went to Mawson on  
 the first expedition. This year  
 another two are on their way.  
 The team of 15 who will replace  
 the present expedition at Maw-  
 son and stay there 12 months has  
 already had a trial erection of  
 the huts.

In the frozen south, fire  
 presents the greatest hazard to  
 the expedition. Each hut is  
 equipped with fire alarm  
 apparatus, including fire buckets  
 extinguishers containing special  
 chemicals not affected by cold.

On the lighter side, the stores  
 include spurs, blades and  
 whistles for the tin snippers. For  
 although the expedition uses the  
 biggest industrial tin-opener  
 money can buy, it still goes  
 through two sets of blades and  
 wheels a year.

For Macquarie Island the de-  
 mand for stores is not so exten-  
 sive. But it has to be stocked  
 with two years' supplies in case  
 the ice-breaker cannot get  
 through in any one year.

There are, however, some  
 surprising items. Involves show,  
 for example, a requisition order  
 for baby's feeding bottles. These  
 are used for young lambs on  
 the island. A bull, complete  
 with a tag in his nose is being  
 sent to keep the island's solitary  
 cow company, and to insure  
 supplies of fresh milk for an-  
 other 12 months.

## Bull And Chain

Along with the order for the  
 bull went another for a length  
 of chain and a heavy ball to  
 keep him from wandering too  
 far.

Twelve sheep makes up the  
 livestock contingent for this  
 year. Both bases have large  
 libraries which are re-stocked  
 each year. They also have large  
 collections of gramophone re-  
 cords to keep the men playing  
 records and 50 normal ones each  
 time the ship goes down.

Plays are included in the re-  
 cord collections, most of them  
 given by Australian firms  
 which produce them over the  
 Australian commercial radio. A  
 special gift to the Mawson base  
 this year will be a 161-episode  
 detective serial.

Other supplies include heat-  
 ing cigarettes and tobacco  
 rations, kerosene heaters, a 20  
 horsepower k.v.a. generator and  
 motor, another 10 k.v.a. and  
 a 5 k.v.a. as spare for them.  
 "The usual" 400, 500 watt, 100  
 watt, 25 watt, 10 watt, 5 watt  
 at Mawson and 14 at Macquarie  
 contained, happy and alive in  
 12 "lovely" months."—  
 one Antarctic Affairs official.

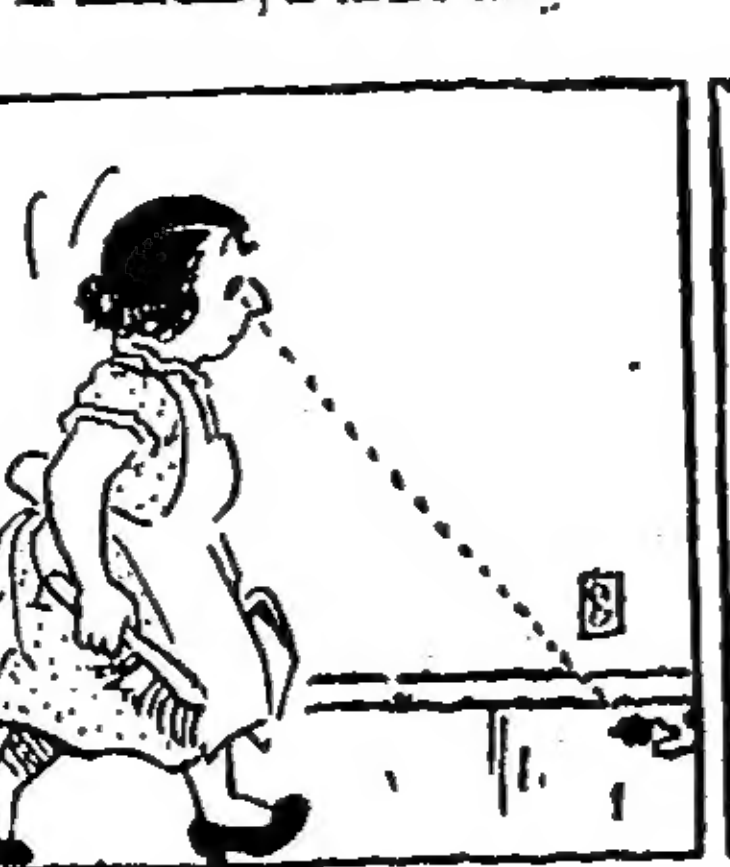
It is not easy, but we have  
 managed for the past two years  
 to do it. In fact, the regulations  
 have to be so strict, the supplies  
 have to be so exact, the things  
 and the way they are packed  
 —China Mail Special.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



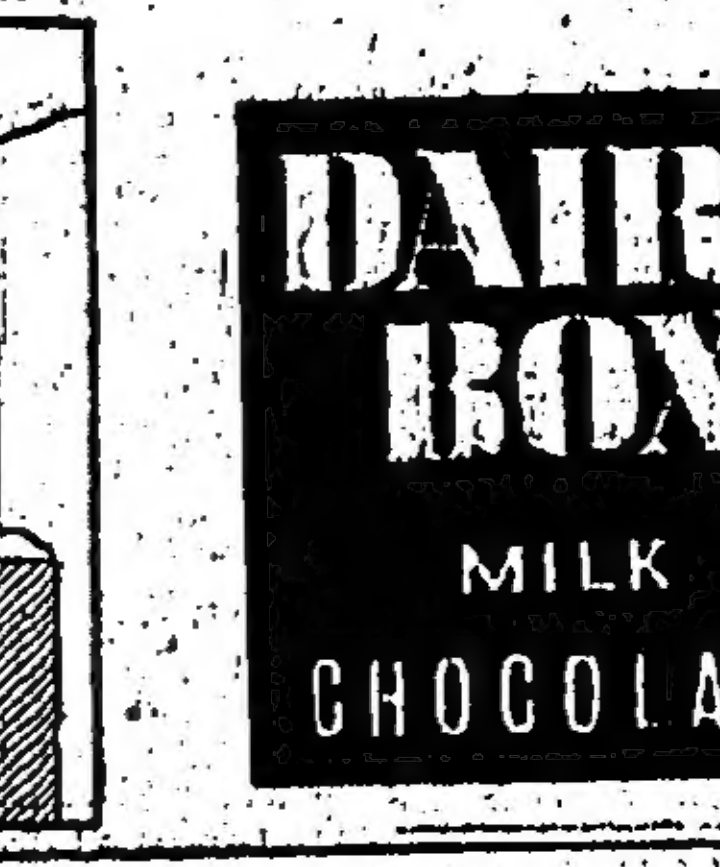
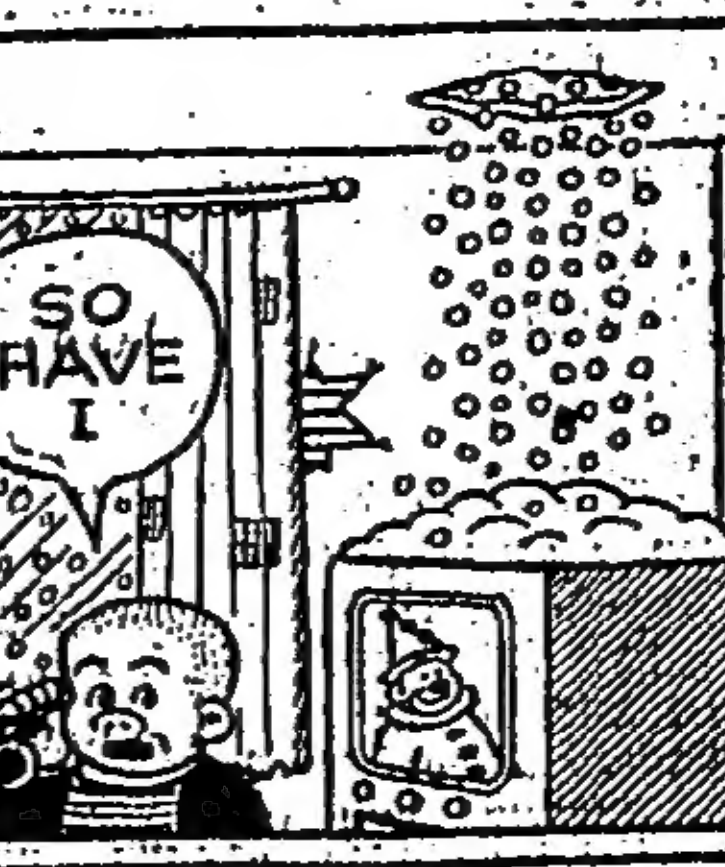
By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

## FERDINAND



By Milk

## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

## JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins

TALK  
ABOUT  
MAGIC!

Have you seen

**Admiral**

AIR CONDITIONERS  
AND REFRIGERATORS

FROZEN FRESH  
IN THE COUNTRY!

TRY  
Libby's

FROZEN FOODS  
TODAY!

**DAIRY  
BOX**

MILK  
CHOCOLATE

this situation  
calls for a

**San  
Miguel**



# ALL ESCAPEES WELCOME TO GLASENBACH

Vienna, Feb. 9.

A new camp for escapees from Communism which the United States Escape Programme (USEP) has opened at Glasebnach, near here, is helping Austria to solve the problems created by the influx of refugees across the borders from the Soviet satellite countries.

The camp, a German wartime barracks, and later a "cage" for German prisoners of war, cost Escapee Programme 100,000 dollars (about £34,000) to renovate. It now houses nearly 300 refugees of ten nationalities and eight religions in comfort which the camp's previous occupants never knew.

About half the escapees are Hungarians and one quarter are Czechoslovaks. The rest are Ukrainians, Poles, Russians, Rumanians, Bulgarians and Albanians. Austrian and German women married to escapees also live there.

The religious grouping of the refugees showed that the largest group were Catholics with Jews second. The rest belonged to the Greek Orthodox or Protestant Churches. Six were "unclassified" and two were Moslems.

## COST TO TAXPAYER

The Escapee Programme's operations in Austria alone are costing the American taxpayer about 1,300,000 dollars (about £440,000).

The Austrian Government's contribution is 5.80 schillings.

# Lord Amberley Granted Divorce

London, Feb. 9. Viscount Amberley, heir to Earl Russell—Bertrand Russell—the philosopher—was at the Carnarvon, Wales, Divorce Court today granted a decree nisi because of the adultery of his wife, Susan, daughter of the late Viscountess Lindsay, the American poet.

The decree becomes valid in six weeks' time. Lord Amberley was given custody of the two children of the marriage and costs against the co-respondent, Christopher William Vaughan Wordsworth.

Lady Amberley did not defend the suit. Like his father, the 33-year-old Viscount prefers not to use his title, and he was listed in the petition simply as John Conrad Russell of Belzies Grove, London.

The marriage took place in Washington in 1948. — China Mail Special.

# Nehru Not Visiting France

Paris, Feb. 9. The Indian Embassy here today confirmed the cancellation of the projected visit to France of Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru from February 14 to 16.

Simultaneously, the French Foreign Ministry announced that Mr. Nehru's visit had been cancelled by joint agreement between Nehru and French officials.

Both the Indian Embassy and the French Foreign Office said the dates fixed had proved inconvenient for the Prime Minister. Mr. Nehru had planned to come to France on his way to India from London where he attended the Conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers. — France-Press.

# RAW SUGAR BOUGHT BY US

Washington, Feb. 9. The Department of Agriculture has bought 10,000 tons of raw sugar from a Cuban firm for shipment to Iran. It was announced today.

The Department official said the Commodity Credit Corporation paid \$3.11 per 100 pounds for the sugar to the Little and Christmas Company of Jucaro, Cuba. The sugar will be distributed in Iran by the Foreign Operations Administration, which handles foreign aid. — United Press.

# EGYPTIAN TRADE FAIR

Washington, Feb. 9. The Commerce Department announced that the United States Government will participate in the Egyptian International Trade Fair, starting in January 1956, and that United States industry and business will be invited to participate also. — United Press.

# World Cotton Markets

New York, Feb. 9. Cotton market activity today remained on the quiet side with most of the action taking place at the opening and close.

In between time, prices drifted irregularly over a narrow range but managed to keep slightly over the previous close most of the time.

Closing prices ruled up 1 to 6 points. The market opened up 2 to 5 points. New Orleans closed up 1 to 2 points.

Traders continued to operate with caution pending developments in the Russia-Formosa situation or new incentives from the textile trade, spot cotton markets or the export situation.

The mark-trend tendency also reflected a desire to await the report on loan entries and redemption scheduled for issuance after the close.

Trading volumes and open interest in the Exchange today were:

Month	Volume	Open Interest
March	44,000	514,500
April	46,000	1,000,000
May	25,000	911,000
June	9,500	220,000
July	11,000	134,000
Aug.	4,000	78,000
Sept.	5,000	82,000
Oct.	200	1,000
Nov.	148,000	2,891,500

## NEW YORK

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
Spot	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
March	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
April	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
May	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
June	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
July	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Aug.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Sept.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Oct.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Nov.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Dec.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Jan.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Feb.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00

## NEW ORLEANS

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
Spot	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
March	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
April	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
May	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
June	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
July	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
Aug.	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
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Nov.	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
Dec.	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
Jan.	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10
Feb.	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.10

## LIVERPOOL

Cotton futures closings.

American middling cotton, 15/16 inch, in pence per lb. were as follows:	Mar/Apr	May/June	July/Aug.	Sept./Oct.	Nov./Dec.	Jan./Feb.
Mar/Apr	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54
May/June	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54
July/Aug.	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54
Sept./Oct.	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54
Nov./Dec.	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54
Jan./Feb.	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54	32.54

## SAO PAULO

Cotton futures, in cruzeiros per kilo were as follows:

Mar/Apr	May/June	July/Aug.	Sept./Oct.	Nov./Dec.	Jan./Feb.
Mar/Apr	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80
May/June	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80
July/Aug.	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80
Sept./Oct.	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80
Nov./Dec.	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80
Jan./Feb.	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80	20.80

In the United States, the average price of 15/16 middling cotton at ten designated spot markets was 34.18 cents. Sales at these centres totalled 10,000 bales. — United Press.

# New York Foreign Exchange

New York, Feb. 9.	London, Feb. 9.
Canada - official	278-5/16
France - official	255-3/4
Germany - official	255-3/4
Italy - official	255-3/4
Japan - official	255-3/4
Spain - official	255-3/4
Sweden - official	255-3/4
Switzerland - official	255-3/4
Others were unchanged.	United Press.

# London Foreign Exchange

London, Feb. 9.	New York, Feb. 9.
Canada - official	278-5/16
France - official	255-3/4
Germany - official	255-3/4
Italy - official	255-3/4
Japan - official	255-3/4
Spain - official	255-3/4
Sweden - official	255-3/4
Switzerland - official	255-3/4
Others were unchanged.	United Press.

# Farm Products For Strategic Goods

Washington, Feb. 9. The Government's Commodity Credit Corporation has been authorized to exchange surplus wheat, corn, and dairy products with 16 or more countries for tin, zinc, manganese and other strategic materials. It was announced today.

Russia and other Communist countries are not included in the new program. Under the new program, the CCC will for the first time own its own stockpile of strategic materials. Under the new program, the CCC may trade wheat with Belgium, Brazil, Britain, Chile, Czechoslovakia, India, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and Mexico. Corn may be traded with Australia, Belgium, Ger-

# NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New York, Feb. 9. Industrial stocks resumed their advance today with a push which lifted prices to new all-time highs of the year.

The rails, lagging, neglected in the recent advance, were at their best performance with a gain of 2 1/2 in average.

Market commentators said the carriers had been oversold in view of their prospects for better earnings as industry continues to expand.

All major groups in industrials, the steels, motors, chemicals, aircraft, oil, building supplies, metals, had gains ranging to 2 points or more. They lifted the average 4.02 to 410.32 a new all-time high.

Wall Street concluded, too, yesterday's Russian news was no cause for jitter.

## UTILITIES NEAR HIGH

Utilities, with their gain of 63 cents, came within a shade of a new high since 1931.

Out of a total 1,228 issues traded, 810 were higher on the day, only 203 lower.

Trading continued at a good pace with volume totalling 3,300,000 shares compared with 3,400,000 yesterday.

Gains among carriers ranged to 8 points in Texas and Pacific. Western Union was a feature after its four-for-one split of an even wider rise. U.S. Gypsum climbed 7 points on an increased dividend. Commercial Solvents went up more than a point on its new tuberculosis antibiotic.

Steels were strong. Aircraft gains ranged to 4 1/2 points in general Dynamics.

The New York Stock Exchange bond volume was \$4,970,000. The American Stock Exchange volume was 1,150,000 shares.

## DOW-JONES AVERAGES

Dow-Jones closing averages on Wall Street today were as follows:

30 Industrials	410.32
50 Stocks	410.32
12 Utilities	410.32
20 Bonds	410.32
Com. future price index	100.49

—United Press.

# Malaya Rubber Exports Up

Singapore, Feb. 9. Rubber exports from Malaya last year amounted to 815,114 tons, compared with 847,211 tons for 1953, according to official statistics released here.

Of the rubber exported in 1954, 201,781 tons went to the United Kingdom, 148,804 tons to the United States, and France and Germany took 87,714 tons and 74,750 tons, respectively. — France-Press.

# CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, Feb. 9. Soybeans held firm, but other grains had lower undertones on the Board of Trade today.

The advances in soybeans reflected covering by exporters against sales of 600,000 bushels of beans to Formosa. Selling and scattered hedging depressed the other markets.

Wheat closed off 1/4 to 2/5; soybeans up 1/4 to 2 1/2 cents. — United Press.

# LIBERAL U.S. TRADE

# 18 Industrial Groups Oppose Features Of Ike's Programme

Washington, Feb. 9. Spokesmen for 18 industrial groups has made oral or written statements to the House Ways and Means Committee in opposition to various features of the Administration's new liberal trade programme.

These groups all represented the "protectionist" viewpoint, but made a wide variety of proposals as to how imports competition might be curbed.

# World Rubber Markets

Singapore, Feb. 9. The rubber market opened higher on better London and New York advices but higher levels brought some offerings which were well absorbed. Prices firmed towards the close on political rumours from Formosa.

Future closings: No. 1 rubber per lb. Feb. 104 1/2-104 3/4; April 104 1/2-104 3/4; No. 2 rubber per lb. Feb. 103 1/2-103 3/4; April 103 1/2-103 3/4; Spot rubber unbleached 104-104 1/2; Smoked crepe 104 1/2-104 3/4; No. 1 pale crepe 104 1/2-104 3/4.

# CONCERN

Representative Carroll D. Kearns, Republican of Pennsylvania, started the day's hearing with a statement that Pennsylvania manufacturers are concerned about competition of various imports from Japan, such as zippers, rayon products, and toys. He said that electrical goods factories are also affected by competition of imports, including electrical generators from England.

Rep. Kearns said that the United States must have a reciprocal trade programme, but he recommended that the "escape clause" provision of the law should be strengthened so that no United States industry would be compelled to shut down.

The Shears, Seligson and Manuere Implement Manufacturers Association said that annual sales of its members declined from \$23,415,000 in 1950 to \$11,800,000 in 1954, and that in five years imports have increased about 600 per cent. United States wage costs were said to be at least four times higher than in Germany.

# SERIOUSLY INJURED

The Association said that this industry has already been seriously injured, "and with continued low tariffs there can be no future for us."

A statement for the American Optical Company emphasized the importance of this industry to national defence, and proposed an amendment designed to protect industries vital to defence.

The Clock Manufacturers Association of America in a statement said that the reciprocity trade bill would provide for special recognition of the requirements of national defence as bearing on the administration of the trade agreement's programme.

The statement said that United States imports of clocks in 1954 were about double of 1953, and that imports of clocks increased at double the rate of imports of watches.

"The critical time for the American clock industry is approaching with far greater speed than did the crisis for the watch industry," it said.

CIGARETTE LIGHTERS. The Cigarette Lighter Manufacturers Association asked special attention to provisions of the pending bill which affect United States-Japan negotiations. It alleged that manufacturers and importers of Japanese lighters "are unfairly trading profits which give them an improper advantage over United States lighters."

The Hardwood Plywood Institute, claiming 57 member companies, opposed the pending bill, and announced that it is preparing for an "escape clause" action before the United States Tariff Commission. The Institute said that imported plywoods are now supplying 60 per cent of the United States market, and that United States plywood production declined from \$13,000,000 in 1950 to \$1,000,000 in 1954. — United Press.

# Record Malaya Tin Output

Singapore, Feb. 9. The total production of tin concentrates in the Federation of Malaya in 1954 amounted to 99,000 tons—a new postwar production record, according to statistics released here.

The figure was five and a half per cent higher than the previous record of 57,537 tons for 1950, and exceeded the 1953 production by eight per cent.

The production of coal in 1954 amounted to 18,244 tons, while bauxite production stood at 18,224 tons. — France-Press.

# Singapore Stock Market

Singapore, Feb. 10. Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

British Borneo Petroleum Syndicate	33a	33a
Consolidated Tin Smelters, Ordinary	29a 9d	29a 9d
Fraser and Neave Ltd., Ordinary Issue	\$2.00	\$1.98
Fraser and Neave Ltd., 7 1/2% cum. pref.	\$6.00	\$6.00
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp., (Colonial Register)	\$11.10	\$11.10



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